

Nursing Information

Physicals: NYSED requires a physical exam for **new entrants** and students in Grades **Pre-K or K, 1,3,5,7,9,11, and for sports, working papers, and as required for CSE and CPSE.**

Dental: A dental certificate is requested at the same time your child is required to have a physical.

Medications in School: NYSED requires a **written physician order** and **written parent permission** for a student to be administered a medication or for a student to self-administer their medication at school. This includes **prescription** and **nonprescription** medications. It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to transport the medication to and from school. Medications must be in the original packaging with proper label instructions. New orders are required at the beginning of each new school year.

Allergies/Intolerances: Student's with allergies/intolerances should have a comprehensive medical action plan upon return to school, ordered by their Primary Physician. This needs to be done at the beginning of each school year. This should include what they are allergic to (food, latex, bee's environmental etc.) and treatment if there is a need. It should also state if the student should sit in a safe zone during lunch/snack times and if they have any restriction. (Please see above for medication requirements).

Medical conditions: Student's with serious medical diagnoses needs to have updated orders in the beginning of each school year which may include an Emergency Action Plan or IEP (Individual Education Plan) and medication orders.

Immunizations: NY State has **mandated** Immunization Requirements by age and grade level. Please see attached form "NYS Immunization Requirements for School Entrance/Attendance". These immunizations are to be given prior to the start of the school year to be in compliance with NY State.

Vision and Hearing Screening: These screenings will be done at school if not completed by your child's primary physician in grades **Pre-K or K,1,3,5,7, and 11.**

Scoliosis Screening: is required in grades **5 and 7** for girls and grade **9** for boys and will be done at school if not completed by the primary physician.

Weight Status Category/Body Mass Index (BMI): NYS Department of Health requires selected school districts each year to report student's BMI. These numbers are obtained from your child's Health Exam from their Primary Physicians and are a calculation of their height and weight. The student's name and other personal information is **not** included in the report. If you have any objection to your child's weight status category being included in the State Report, please contact the school nurse and a form will be sent home for you to fill out exempting your child's information from being included.

Head Lice: Please routinely check your child's head for lice and /or nits. Children may not attend school with head lice. After treatment is given at home, students must come to the Health Office prior to going to the classroom to be checked. Please also contact the school nurse if you have any concerns.

Illness: Students with a fever 100 degrees F or greater, an illness such as strep throat, pink eye, vomiting or diarrhea should remain home until they have been on antibiotic therapy for more than 24 hours and are symptom free without fever reducing medication for more than 24 hours. Otherwise they are likely still contagious. Hand washing is the best way to prevent illness.

Sunscreen: Students are allowed to bring their own sunscreen to school and use it with written permission from a parent.