

August, 2016

Dear Parents:

It is well known that good physical and dental health is vital to your child's academic success. Attached please find the following forms that ***you will need to complete and return to the Health Office by August 30th, 2016*** for the 2016-2017 school year:

1. **Health Appraisal Form**: To be completed by your child's physician/practitioner after a physical examination.
 - ***Please note*** that a physical exam form is ***required*** by law for ***all new entrants, and students in Grades K, 2,4,7,9 and 11***. A physical examination completed anytime on or after September 1, 2015 is acceptable.
2. **Immunization Certificate**: All immunization information must be documented. The complete listing of required immunizations according to grade level is attached. Your child's immunization record is acceptable in a variety of formats. Please note that immunization requirements for 2014-2015 have changed for Kindergarten and incoming 6th Grade students. ***New York State Law §2164 has updated the vaccine requirements to enter kindergarten and 6th grade. We urge you to review your child's immunization record with your pediatrician to ensure that your child is properly immunized to attend school in September, 2016.***
3. **Medical History**: To be completed by parents/guardians on all ***new students***, in an effort to meet all of your child's health care needs. Please feel free to contact the school nurse if you would prefer to schedule an appointment to review your child's Health History.
4. **Dental Examination Certificate** :Recommended for all students
5. **A Blue Residency Form**: Required if you reside in any of the five boroughs of New York City. It is being mailed separately. The completed and signed original form must be returned no later than August 30th as well. Please attach a utility bill to this form to show proof of residency.
6. **A Green Emergency Card** will also be sent separately to all parents. Please provide the requested contact information. This is critical should your child become ill or sustain an injury during the school day.
7. **Medication Administration Form**: To be completed by your child's physician, and you, if your child will be taking any medication while he or she is at school next year.
 - ***Please note*** that all medications (including over-the-counter and inhalers) must have a physician's order and signature or we cannot administer them in school.
 - If your child has Asthma, it is a good idea to keep an extra inhaler at the nurse's office. If your child has an isolated attack, I will then be able to help him/her.

Please complete these forms and return to the Health Office as soon as possible, but no later than August 30th. Students are not permitted to remain in attendance without the necessary health documentation. This is a New York State Law. If you have any questions, please email me: nursegailconroy@gmail.com. Thank you for your cooperation.

Best wishes to you and your family for a healthy and enjoyable summer.

Sincerely,

Fran Civita, RN
School Nurse