

Health, Dental and Eye Examinations and Immunizations - Notice to Parents/Guardians

Health Examinations and Immunizations

All children in Illinois must have a health examination within one year prior to:

- (1) entering school (this includes students entering special education and/or pre-kindergarten programs operated by the District, and students transferring into Illinois from outside of the State or outside of the country);
- (2) entering kindergarten and/or first grade; and
- (3) entering sixth grade.

At the following times, parents/guardians must present proof that their child has received the required health examination, as well as immunizations and screenings required by the Illinois Department of Public Health:

- Prior to entering a pre-kindergarten program (including a special education program) operated by the District;
- Prior to entering kindergarten and/or first grade;
- Upon entering sixth grade;
- Whenever a student first enrolls in school within the District, regardless of the student's grade.

Before the first day of the 20__-20__ school term (August __, 20__), students must submit proof of having had the required health examination and immunizations.

All new students who are first-time registrants shall have 30 days following registration to comply with the health examination and immunization regulations. However, the parent(s)/guardian(s) of such students must sign a temporary consent for their child's participation in physical education which will be effective until the physical examination has been completed and filed with the student's records.

If a student fails to submit appropriate proof by the first day of the school term, or within 30 days for first-time registrants, then the District will exclude the student from school until the student presents proof of having had the required health examination and immunizations. During a student's exclusion from school for noncompliance, the student's parents or legal guardian will be considered to be in violation of *School Code* Section 26-1 (relating to compulsory school attendance) and subject to any penalty imposed by *School Code* Section 26-10 (relating to permitting truancy).

If the student is an out-of-state transfer student and does not have the required proof by the first day of the school term, then he or she may only attend classes if he or she has proof that an appointment for the required vaccinations has been scheduled with a party authorized to submit proof of the required vaccinations. If the proof of vaccination is not submitted within 30 days after the student is permitted to attend classes, then the student will not be permitted to attend classes until proof of the vaccinations has been properly submitted.

Note: If for medical reasons one or more of the required immunizations must be given after the start of the school term, then the student must present, by the first day of the school term, a schedule for the administration of the immunizations and a statement of the medical reasons causing the delay. Both the schedule and statement must be issued by the physician, advanced practice nurse, physician assistant, registered nurse, or local health department that will be responsible for administering the remaining required immunizations.

Dental Examinations

All children in kindergarten, second grade and sixth grade must have a dental examination. Parent(s)/guardian(s) of such students must present proof that their child has been examined by a licensed dentist, in accordance with Illinois Department of Public Health Rules, before May 15 of the school year. Proof of required dental examinations must be recorded on report forms issued by the Illinois Department of Public Health and/or the Illinois State Board of Education. The report forms must be completed and signed by a licensed dentist, and submitted to the District.

If a child in the second or sixth grade fails to present proof of a dental exam by May 15, the school may hold the child's report card until one of the following occurs: (1) the child presents proof of a completed dental examination, or (2) the child presents proof that a dental examination will take place within 60 days after May 15.

The dental exam requirement may be waived for children who demonstrate an undue burden or lack of access to a dentist, in accordance with rules established by the Illinois Department of Public Health. A waiver application is attached to this notice.

Eye Examinations

All children enrolling in kindergarten, and any student enrolling in a school for the first time, must have an eye examination. Before October 15 of the school year, parent(s)/guardian(s) of such students must present proof that their child has been examined, within the previous year, by a licensed optometrist or physician, in accordance with Illinois Department of Public Health rules and Section 27-8.1 of the Illinois *School Code*. Proof of required eye examinations must be recorded on report forms issued by the Illinois Department of Public Health and/or the Illinois State Board of Education. The report forms must be completed and signed by a licensed optometrist or physician, and submitted to the District.

If a child is required to present proof of an eye exam, but fails to do so by October 15, the school may hold the child's report card until one of the following occurs: (1) the child presents proof of a completed eye examination, or (2) the child presents proof that an eye examination will take place within 60 days after October 15.

The eye examination requirement may be waived for children who demonstrate an undue burden or lack of access to a licensed optometrist or physician licensed who provides eye examinations, in accordance with rules established by the Illinois Department of Public Health. A waiver application is attached to this notice.

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DENTAL EXAMINATION WAIVER FORM

Please print:

Student's Name:	Last	First	Middle	Birth Date: (Month/Day/Year)
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Address:	Street	City	ZIP Code	Telephone:
Name of School:	Grade Level:		Gender:	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	
Parent or Guardian:	Address (of parent/guardian):			

I am unable to obtain the required dental examination because:

- My child is enrolled in the free and reduced lunch program and is not covered by private or public dental insurance (Medicaid/All Kids).
- My child is enrolled in the free and reduced lunch program and is ineligible for public insurance (Medicaid/All Kids).
- My child is enrolled in Medicaid/All Kids, but we are unable to find a dentist or dental clinic in our community that is able to see my child and will accept Medicaid/All Kids.
- My child does not have any type of dental insurance, and there are no low-cost dental clinics in our community that will see my child.

Signature _____

Date _____



Please print:

Student Name _____ Birth Date _____
(Last) (First) (Middle Initial) (Month/Day/Year)

School Name _____ Grade Level _____ Gender: Male Female

Address _____
(Number) (Street) (City) (ZIP Code)

Phone _____
(Area Code)

Parent or Guardian _____
(Last) (First)

Address of Parent or Guardian _____
(Number) (Street) (City) (ZIP Code)

I am unable to obtain the required vision examination because:

- My child is enrolled in medical assistance/ALL KIDS, but we are unable to find a medical doctor who performs eye examinations or an optometrist in the community who is able to examine my child and accepts medical assistance/ ALL KIDS.
- My child does not have any type of medical or vision/eye care coverage, my child does not qualify for medical assistance/ ALL KIDS, there are no low-cost vision/eye clinics in our community that will see my child, and I have exhausted all other means and do not have sufficient income to provide my child with an eye examination.
- Other undue burden or a lack of access to an optometrist or to a physician who provides eye examinations:

Signature _____ Date _____

(Source: Added at 32 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)