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Dear Kindergarten Parent/Guardian,

Welcome to School District 145. Incoming kindergarten students are required to meet certain health requirements and must submit written documentation as proof.

The following required forms have been attached to this letter for your convenience.

Illinois Department of Public Health <u>Certificate of Child Health Examination</u> - due no later than October 15<sup>th</sup>. We highly recommend submitting the completed medical form no later than your child's first day of school.

According to state legislation, all children entering kindergarten must present documentation of a **current physical examination** conducted by a physician licensed to practice medicine in all of its branches, an advanced practice nurse, or a physician assistant, conducted within one year preceding the first day of school. The **parent/guardian portion** on the reverse side of the physical form must be completed and signed in order to meet the state requirement. All required **immunizations** must be documented on or attached to this form. A healthcare provider's note of medical explanation must be provided for any missing immunizations, or for those not administered at appropriate intervals. School districts are required to submit notes regarding immunity to the Illinois Department of Public Health for review and recommendation.

Illinois law mandates that any child entering **kindergarten**, sixth grade, or ninth grade for the first time shall show proof of having received two doses of **varicella** (**chickenpox**) **vaccine**, the first dose on or after the first birthday, and the second dose no less than four weeks after the first dose, or proof of prior varicella disease. In addition, children entering school at any grade level must show proof of having received two doses of **live mumps vaccine**, two doses of **live rubella vaccine**, and 3 doses of **hepatitis B vaccine**.

Students not in compliance with this regulation by October 15<sup>th</sup>, will be excluded from attendance the following day.

**Note:** Students who register less than 30 days prior to the start of the new school year, or students who register after the school year has begun, have 30 days to comply with this requirement.





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Illinois Department of Public Health <u>Proof of School Dental Examination Form</u> - due by January 15<sup>th</sup>

State law also mandates that students entering kindergarten have a **dental examination** performed by a licensed dentist. Please submit the completed dental form to the school by January 15<sup>th</sup>.

State of Illinois Eye Examination Report - due by October 15th

Students entering kindergarten must also undergo a **complete vision examination** performed by a physician or licensed optometrist within 12 months of the first day of school. A Snellen chart vision check completed in a pediatrician's office does *not* meet the requirement for a "complete eye examination." The completed report must be submitted by October 15<sup>th</sup>. Failure to present proof by this date requires written proof of an appointment for a scheduled eye examination within the next 60 days following October 15<sup>th</sup>.

It is recommended that you keep a copy of your child's physical examination forms for your own records.

Sincerely,
District 145 Nursing Team