

Dear Parents,

**STATE LAW REQUIRES** that all students entering school must be immunized before attending school. The only exceptions to this law are based on religious objections to immunizations or an exemption due to an extenuating medical condition. These exceptions require written documentation.

**BEFORE YOUR CHILD CAN ATTEND KINDERGARTEN IN SEPTEMBER, THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS MUST BE MET:**

- **5 DOSES OF DPT (DIPHtheria, PERTUSSIS, TETANUS)**
- **4 DOSES OF POLIO VACCINE**
- **3 DOSES OF HEPATITIS B**
- **2 DOSES OF MMR (MEASLES, MUMPS, RUBELLA) that are given at least 4 weeks apart at or after age 12 months.**
- **2 DOSES OF VARICELLA given at least 4 weeks apart after 12 months of age (OR DOCTOR'S NOTE INDICATING HISTORY OF CHICKEN POX OR TITER INDICATING SAME).**
- **1 DOSE OF HIB**
- **1 PROOF OF LEAD SCREENING (DONE ONCE IN LIFETIME)**
- **VISION SCREENING (including distance & stereopsis-depth perception)**

**Your pediatrician can perform the above vision tests in his office and include them on the physical exam report.**

Your family doctor or pediatrician will be able to provide the **OFFICIAL IMMUNIZATION RECORD** needed to meet these requirements. **PLEASE BRING THIS TO REGISTRATION.**

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health requires that each kindergartener present a record of a **PHYSICAL EXAM done within 1 year prior to school entry. Please bring the most recent physical exam to registration, even if it has not been done during this time frame. PLEASE BRING THIS TO REGISTRATION. THE SCHOOL NURSE MUST RECEIVE THE IMMUNIZATIONS AND PHYSICAL BY THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL, OR YOUR CHILD WILL BE EXCLUDED FROM SCHOOL. If possible, please send/fax the documentation as soon as it is completed. This expedites the process for the nurse.**

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Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

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