RIVER FOREST PUBLIC SCHOOLS – <u>www.district90.org</u>

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HEALTH INFORMATION / REQUIREMENTS for 2023-24 school year

The following documents need to be scanned and emailed to <u>nurses@district90.org</u>, or can be brought to your student's school **after 8/15/2023.** School District 90 complies with all articles of the state statute, and children whose health forms are still outstanding by October 15th, **will not be admitted to school**.

Please be sure to keep a copy of all completed examination forms for your records.

Physical Examination (Illinois Certificate of Child Health Examination)

– needed for Kindergarten, 6th Grade, and new students at any grade level – Illinois law prohibits any child from starting kindergarten, first grade (if the child has not attended kindergarten), 6th grade, or any grade level if the child is new to the District, until the appropriate health forms are submitted. The medical history section of the form must be completed and signed by a parent or legal guardian. Diabetic Screening is required as part of the health examination. A Diabetes test, however, is not. Please review the back of this letter for state of Illinois immunization requirements. The physical examination must be completed within one year prior to the first day of school.

Dental Exam - needed for Kindergarten, 2nd and 6th Grade, and new students at any grade level -

An Illinois Proof of School Dental Examination Form, completed and signed by a licensed dentist is required. The examination must have taken place after December 15th of the prior school year.

Illinois Eye Examination Report – needed for Kindergarten and new students at any grade level –

The examination must be completed within one year prior to the first day of school.

Physical Examination – Interscholastic Sports (Grades 5 – 8 only)

A sports physical or a full physical examination, dated within thirteen months throughout the sport season, must be on file in the School Nurse's Office in order <u>to try out and participate in interscholastic sports or practices</u>. It is advised to get an exam every summer so that current information is on file, should your child decide to participate in a sport during the school year.

School Medication Authorization - for the current school year

(To administer any medication during the school day)

Written authorization from a physician, with diagnosis and directions for dispensing prescription and/or over the counter medications (Tylenol, cough medicine, etc.) must be on file in order for medication to be taken during school hours. Prescription medication must be sent to school in a container appropriately labeled by the pharmacy. Over the counter medication must be in the original package, and your child's name and dose must be written on it. To allow your child **to carry an inhaler and/or Epi-Pen with them,** instead of keeping it in the nurse's office, the section titled *Agreement Authorizing Self-Administration of Asthma Medication and Epi-Pen* must also be completed. (It is recommended to keep an extra inhaler / Epi-Pen in the nurse's office in case the child's supply is lost or has run out.)

Unused medication must be picked up; any left at the end of the school year will be discarded.

Please arrange to have all examination forms and proofs of immunization completed and submitted to the District office by the first day of school. All forms can be downloaded at <u>www.district90.org</u> - search for medical forms to find the appropriate page.

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STATE OF ILLINOIS - IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS - RIVER FOREST PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Meningococcal Conjugate Vaccination (MCV). – All 6th, 7th, and 8th graders are required to show proof of <u>one</u> dose received on or after 11 years of age. This vaccination prevents a severe form of bacterial meningitis as well as other illnesses caused by this bacterium.

DTP/DTaP/Td – 4 or more doses with the last dose being a booster and having been received on or after the 4^{th} birthday, intervals of no less than 4 weeks, last dose at least 6 months since the previous dose.

- Any child entering 6th grade shall show proof (see IDHS Section 665.250(b)) of receiving one dose of Tdap (defined as tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis) vaccine regardless of the interval since the last DTaP, DT, or Td dose.
- Students entering grades 7th through 12th who have not already received Tdap are required to receive 1 Tdap dose vaccine regardless of the interval since the last DTaP, DT, or Td dose.

Polio -3 or more doses with the last dose being a booster and having been received on or after the 4th birthday, intervals of no less than 6 weeks, last dose at least 6 months since the previous dose, but prior to school entrance.

Measles -2 doses, 1 dose administered 12 months or older, 2^{nd} dose no less than 1 month after 1^{st} dose (equal to or greater than 28 days), diagnosis made on/after July 1, 2002 must be confirmed with laboratory evidence.

Rubella

- 1. Children entering school at any grade level shall show proof of having received <u>two</u> doses of live rubella virus vaccine, the first dose on or after the first birthday and the second dose no less than four weeks (28 days) after the first dose, or other acceptable proof of immunity.
- 2. For students attending school programs where grade levels are not assigned, including special education programs, proof of **two** doses of live rubella virus vaccine and shall be submitted prior to the school years in which the child reaches the ages of 5, 11 and 15.

Mumps

- 1. Children entering school at any grade level shall show proof of having received <u>two</u> doses of live mumps virus vaccine, the first dose on or after the first birthday and the second dose no less than four weeks (28 days) after the first dose, or other acceptable proof of immunity.
- 2. For students attending school programs where grade levels are not assigned, including special education programs, proof of having received <u>two</u> doses of live mumps virus vaccine and shall be submitted prior to the school years in which the child reaches the ages of 5, 11 and 15.

Hepatitis B (Children entering 6th grade)

Children entering the sixth grade shall show proof of having received three doses of hepatitis B vaccine, or other proof of immunity. The first two doses shall have been received no less than four weeks (28 days) apart. The interval between the second and third doses shall be at least two months. The interval between the first and third doses shall be at least four months. Proof of prior or current infection, if verified by laboratory evidence, may be substituted for proof of vaccination.

Hib (not required for K-8)

Not recommended for children 60 months of age or older.

Varicella (chickenpox)

- 1. Children entering kindergarten, sixth grade, or ninth grade for the first time shall show proof of having received <u>two</u> doses of varicella vaccine, the first dose on or after the first birthday and second dose no less than four weeks (28 days) after the first dose, or proof of prior varicella disease or laboratory evidence of varicella immunity.
- 2. For students attending school programs where grade levels are not assigned, proof of having received at least two doses of varicella vaccine or other proof of immunity shall be submitted prior to the school year in which the child reaches the ages of 5, 11, and 15.
- 3. Only those children who have been (1) immunized with varicella vaccine, (2) have had physician diagnosed varicella disease, (3) have a health care provider's interpretation that a parent's or legal guardian's description of varicella disease is indicative of past infection, (4) or have laboratory evidence of immunity, shall be considered to be immune.