## Health and Dental Examination Requirements 2021-2022

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Date: June 2021

New York State law requires a health examination for all students **entering the school district for the first time and when entering Pre-K or K, 1**<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, and 11<sup>th</sup> grade. The examination must be completed by a New York State licensed physician, physician assistant or nurse practitioner and on the <u>Required NYS</u> School Health Examination Form.

A dental certificate which states your child has been seen by a dentist or dental hygienist is also asked for at the same time. The school will provide you with a list of dentists and registered dental hygienists who offer dental services on a free or reduced cost basis if you ask for it.

- A copy of the health examination must be provided to the school within 30 days from when your child first starts at the school, and when your child starts Pre-K or K, 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> grades.
- If your child has an appointment for an exam during this school year that is after the first 30 days of school, please notify the Health Office with the date.
- For your convenience, a physical exam form and dental certificate for your health care providers is enclosed.
- Communication between private and school health staff is important for safe and effective care at school.
  Your healthcare provider may not share health information with school health staff without your signed permission. Please talk to your provider about signing their consent form for the school at the time of your child's appointment for the examination.

**Per the NYSDOH notification on 8/28/20:** Children entering or attending school in New York State, including summer school and distance learning, must comply with immunization requirements.

We suggest you make copies of the completed forms for your own records before sending them to the school health office. Forms may also be faxed or mailed to the school, ATTENTION HEALTH OFFICE

Sincerely, Health Services

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