

# Edgar County Community Unit School District #6

*"To empower all students to succeed in a changing world!"*

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To: Parents of Children Entering Kindergarten

From: School Nurse Daniele Willour

## **Immunizations**

Children entering Kindergarten in the State of Illinois are required to show proof of immunization against DTP, Polio, Hib, Pneumococcal, Hepatitis B, MMR and Varicella/Chickenpox. Immunizations are available at your doctor's office or county health department. Take all of your child's shot records with you for your appointment. If immunizations are not up to date, please present a schedule for future immunizations from a physician or clinic to the school.

## **School Physical**

Your child must have a physical exam (certificate of child health examination) including the lead and diabetes screening questionnaire. Past history of a **blood lead test is required** due to Edgar county being high-risk for high lead levels in children age 6 and younger. Both sides of the health exam must be filled out thoroughly by the doctor. The health history section on the front of the form must be completed and signed by the parent or guardian. The immunization section needs to be updated.

## **Dental Exam**

A dental exam performed by a licensed dentist is required for all students entering Kindergarten. Students have an opportunity for free dental exams two times during the school year. Consent must be signed by parent or guardian and returned to school.

## **Vision Exam**

A vision exam is required for students entering Kindergarten. This needs to have been completed with the last year by an optometrist.

## **Medications**

If your child requires **any** daily medications to be given during school, a School Medication Authorization form must be completed by your physician. This form is necessary for any daily medicines or antibiotics to be given at school following an illness, or medicines on an as needed basis such as inhalers, Tylenol, or Motrin. If your child does not need any medications given at the school, please disregard this form I have attached.

**School physicals and immunizations must be completed before your child can start school. If you are unable to complete the physical and/or immunizations by the first day of school, documentation of an appointment must be provided prior to your child starting school for them to attend. If you have any questions, please give me a call at 217-269-2022**