

Health and Dental Reminder

This serves as a reminder to all parents/guardians to check if all your children have the recommended immunizations. Parents/guardians, by the first day of school, for all new, pre-kindergarten, and kindergarten students, should present proof of immunization. State Education Law mandates that children entering school present a certificate from a physician or a previous school stating that immunizations have been administered against mumps, measles, rubella (German measles), Hepatitis B, poliomyelitis, diphtheria, and chicken pox. 2018-2019 dosage requirements are:

- 4 doses (Pre-K), 4-5 doses (K-5), and 3 doses (6-12) of DTaP or DTP
- 1 dose of Tdap (grades 6-12)
- 3 doses (Pre-K, grade 5, and grades 11-12), 4 doses (grades K-4, 6-10), of Polio
- 1 dose (Pre-K) & 2 doses (K-12) of MMR
- 3 doses of Hepatitis B for all grades
- 1 dose (Pre-K, grade 5, and grades 11-12) & 2 doses (grades K-4, and grades 6-10) Varicella
 - If a child has not been immunized, your physician must provide written documentation of having Varicella (Chicken Pox)
- A single dose of vaccine against meningococcal serogroups A, C, W-135, and Y (MenACWY vaccine; brand names Menactra® or Menveo®) should be administered to all adolescents at age 11 or 12 years. Required for all 7, 8, and 12 graders.
- A second (booster) dose of MenACWY vaccine should be administered at age 16 years.
 - The booster date is not necessary for adolescents who receive the first dose of MenACWY at 16 years of age or older.
 - The minimum interval between doses of MenACWY vaccine is 8 weeks.
- A serogroup B meningococcal vaccine series (MenB vaccine) may be administered to adolescents and young adults 16 through 23 years of age, at the discretion of the healthcare provider. The preferred age for MenB

vaccine is 16 through 18 years of age. MenACWY at 16 years of age or older.

- 1-4 doses (Pre-K) of HiB and Pneumococcal Conjugate vaccine (PCV)

The Onondaga County Health Department offers immunization clinics for children two months of age through their 19th birthday at the John H. Mulroy Civic Center, 421 Montgomery Street, Syracuse (Room 30, Basement level) every Wednesday from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. The fee is \$15.00 per visit. Effective October 1, 2012, the Onondaga County Immunization Clinic is no longer able to provide vaccines to children who are fully insured by private insurance. If you have health insurance, please contact your health care provider to schedule an appointment for your child's immunizations. Previous immunization records must be presented for children who will be receiving immunizations of any kind. A parent, grandparent, or legal guardian must also accompany children.

Physicals are required upon entering school in grades Pre-Kindergarten or Kindergarten, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11 OR a new student to the district. A dental health certificate from your dentist will be requested for the same grade levels requiring physicals. Parents are encouraged to have their own family physician give the physical; but if they do not, physicals WILL be automatically scheduled in school.