

SOLVAY UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

HEALTH OFFICE NOTICES

Immunizations

All new entrants, Pre-Kindergarten through grade 12, require these immunizations for enrollment at schools in New York State:
Pre-Kindergarten:

DTaP, DTP	4 doses
Polio vaccine	3 doses
Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)	1 dose
Hepatitis B vaccine	3 doses
Varicella (Chicken Pox)	1 dose
Haemophilus influenza type b (Hib)	1 to 4 doses (Depends on age of vaccinations)
Pneumococcal Conjugate vaccine (PCV)	1 to 4 doses (Depends on age of vaccinations)

Kindergarten and Grade 1

DTaP, DTP	5 doses OR 4 with the 4 th dose at 4 years of age or older OR 3 if starting the series at 7 years of age or older
Polio vaccine	4 doses OR 3 with the 3 rd dose at 4 years of age or older
Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)	2 doses
Hepatitis B vaccine	3 doses
Varicella (Chicken Pox)	2 doses

Grades 2 through 5

DTaP, DTP	5 doses OR 4 with the 4 th dose at 4 years of age or older OR 3 if starting the series at 7 years of age or older
Polio vaccine	3 doses
Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)	2 doses
Hepatitis B vaccine	3 doses OR 2 doses of adult hepatitis B vaccine (Recombivax) for children who received the doses at least 4 months apart between the ages of 11 through 15 years of age
Varicella (Chicken Pox)	1 dose

Grades 6 through 7

Dtap, DTP	3 doses
Tdap	1 dose
Meningococcal	1 dose
Polio vaccine	4 doses OR 3 if the 3 rd was received at 4 years of age or older
Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)	2 doses
Hepatitis B vaccine	3 doses OR 2 doses of adult hepatitis B vaccine (Recombivax) for children who received the doses at least 4 months apart between the ages of 11 through 15 years of age
Varicella (Chicken Pox)	2 doses

Grades 8 through 12

DTaP, DTP	3 doses
Tdap	1 dose
Meningococcal	1 dose AND second (booster) dose of vaccine should be administered at age 16 years. THE BOOSTER IS NOT NECESSARY FOR ADOLESCENTS WHO RECEIVE THE FIRST DOSE OF VACCINE AT 16 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.
Polio vaccine	3 does
Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)	2 doses
Hepatitis B vaccine	3 doses OR 2 doses of adult hepatitis B vaccine (Recombivax) for children who received the doses at least 4 months apart between the ages of 11 through 15 years of age
Varicella (Chicken Pox)	1 dose

A certificate from previous school, doctor, or clinic is required as proof for all immunizations. The NYS Public Health Law is very specific regarding immunizations. All immunizations must be on file or accompany student on the first day of attendance.

Medications At School

All medications, prescription or "over the counter", including cough drops, require a doctor's AND parent's written permission. Medicine should be brought to the school nurse by the parent. The medicine should be in the original container. It will be kept locked in the Health Office and given to the student by the nurse according to the doctor's written direction. Students may not carry medicine of any kind in their pocket, purse, backpack, etc. (*Exception: students in grade 4 and above may carry inhalers and EpiPens with doctor and parent written permission*).

Physical Examinations

A physical exam must be presented within 30 days of entry into grades Pre-Kindergarten, K, 2, 4, 7, and 10. All new entrants Pre-k through `1 are also required to present proof of physical examination. If the student does not have a physical exam report from a doctor, and exam will be done by the school doctor. An exam done at the student's previous school is acceptable if done within the past 12 months. Athletic physicals must be done before participation in sports. A private physician may perform the examination but the report **must** be on a school form. All private sports physicals will be reviewed by the school nurse and/or school physician for approval/disapproval. Call the school nurse for forms and further information.

Screening

Pre-k, Kindergarteners, and new entrants will receive height and weight checks, vision and hearing screenings during the school year. Students in grades 5 through 9 will be screened each year for scoliosis (curvature of the spine). Vision and hearing screenings will be done in grades Pre-K through 3 and 5, 7, and 10. If any problems are found, parents will be notified in writing. Referral to a doctor will be advised.

Illness or Accident

In case of an accident or sudden illness, parents will be notified. Parents are responsible for picking up a sick or injured child. It is important that the school have parents' home, work, and cell phone numbers as well as the name, address, and phone number of another relative, sitter, or neighbor to contact in case of emergencies. Please notify the school of any changes in addresses or phone numbers.

Absences and Excuses

If a child is to be absent or late to school, parents should call the school before 9:00 am. A voice mail system is in operation at all times for parent convenience. Parents who have not called the school will be contacted.

If you think your child has a contagious disease, please keep your sick child at home, contact your family doctor, and notify the school nurse of the illness. Written excuses are required when a student returns to school after an absence or tardiness.

If a child is to leave school early for an appointment, a note must be sent to the school. Parents should come to the office to pick up and sign out their child

Physical Education excuses must be written by a doctor and should include diagnosis, duration of excuse and any restrictions after the exclusion period is over.