

Dear Parents,

The New York State Department of Education requires physical examination, by a physician or nurse practitioner who is currently licensed in New York State, of children when they:

1. enter the school district for the first time.
2. are in Grades 1 and 3.

We suggest this be done by the family physician, as he/she is the one who best knows the family. He/she is better able to judge any changes or deviations in the child's state of health and can discuss any recommendations directly with the parents at that time.

The physical form should be returned to the school by September 1.

It is recommended that parents have their child examined each year by the family physician whether this is required for school or not. We would appreciate having the physical form returned to the school if this is done.

If you have a student who will be in Grade 2 next year, a physical is not required. It is a year that you have an opportunity to delay their physical until summer. This will allow them, when they want to play basketball in 4<sup>th</sup> grade, to have the required, current physical on file for the whole basketball season.

As always, please bring any special concerns or issues you have to the attention of the school nurses directly. This will allow us to provide the best care for your child.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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