

## Kindergarten and Transitional Kindergarten Health Requirements

### Immunizations:

To enter a public school, your child must have the immunizations indicated below. At registration, you must present an up-to-date immunization record with proper dates and medical office/clinic information, copies will be made, and you will retain original documents. **Your child will not be allowed to start school without proof of immunization compliance.**

- **POLIO:** 4 doses at any age but ... 3 doses meet the requirement for ages 4-6 if at least one was given on or after the 4th birthday.
- **Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTP):** 5 doses at any age, but ... 4 doses meet requirements for ages 4-6 if at least one was given on or after the 4th birthday.
- **HEPATITIS B:** 3 doses at any age.
- **Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR):** 2 doses both given on or after 1st birthday.
- **VARICELLA (Chickenpox):** 1 dose is required OR healthcare provider-documented varicella (chickenpox) disease history or immunity meets the requirement.

### Immunization Requirement Exemptions:

Beginning January 1, 2016, the new immunization law (SB 277) only allows an exemption for medical reasons and requires the child's physician (MD or DO only) to provide a written letter of medical exemption. If your child requires a medical exemption please obtain proper documentation from a physician to submit at registration. There is no form, but the MD or DO may provide a letter or document that must include: (1) that the physical condition or medical circumstances of the child are such that the required immunization(s) is not indicated, (2) which vaccines are being exempted. (3) whether the medical exemption is permanent or temporary, (4) the expiration date, if the exemption is temporary. No waivers for Religious or Personal Beliefs will be accepted.

### First Grade Physical:

You must present written documentation of a physical examination completed and signed by a physician within 18 months of entering first grade. Just before entering kindergarten is a good time to have this done (Health and Safety Code 324.3). When the physical is completed submit a copy of the physical to the school health office to meet the 1st grade requirement, retain your original with your records. Physical Waiver Forms may be requested from the health office.

### Oral Health Assessment:

An Oral Health Assessment or Waiver Form (AB1433) must be completed and submitted to the school health office by May 31 during the **kindergarten or 1st grade** school year, whichever is his or her first year of public school. The assessment must be performed by a licensed dentist and may be completed up to 12 months before your child enters school.