

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

The health requirements below must be completed before the first day of school.

Health Exams

A student must have a physical health examination within one year prior to entering preschool, kindergarten, and 6th grade, students new to the school district, regardless of age or grade, must show proof of exam and immunizations within 30 days of registration.

[Physical Exam Form \(IL444 4737 R-01-12\)](#)

Immunizations

Students must show proof of basic immunizations and required boosters for Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis, Polio, Red Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Haemophilus Influenzae Type B, Varicella and Hepatitis B.

Lead Screening

Students entering preschool and kindergarten must show proof of lead screening. It is mandatory for students living in zip codes 61101, 61102, 61103 and 61104.

Dental Exams

All Illinois children in kindergarten, 2nd and 6th grades are required to have an oral health exam by a licensed dentist prior to May 15th of the school year. If a child fails to present proof of exam, the school may hold the child's report card until written proof is established or until proof that an exam will take place within 60 days of May 15th deadline.

[Dental Exam Form \(IOCI 0600-10\)](#)

Eye/Hearing Exams

As of August 2009 the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) will no longer provide vision and hearing screening free of charge. The cost for each will be \$2.50. Below are the grades that are mandated by the IDPH to be screened;

Hearing Screen - Kindergarten, 1st grade, 2nd grade, 3rd grade, IEP students, and new students.

Vision Screen - 2nd grade, IEP students, and new students.

For children in the other grades, I cannot stress enough how important it is to continue to have them screened for vision and hearing yearly. Last year, in the older grades, we found two students requiring glasses. Had the parents decide not to screen their child, this would have gone undetected until problems with their grades were seen. If you would like your child screened please fill out the appropriate forms and return them to the office with the fee.

Students entering Kindergarten still require an eye examination with an ophthalmologist or optometrist.

[Kindergarten Vision Exam Form \(IOCI1271-09\)](#)

Waiver

The Department of Public Health shall establish a waiver for children who show an undue burden or lack of access to obtain either a dental or eye exam.

Objections

Children, whose parents or legal guardians object to health or dental examinations, or to the required immunizations, may submit a letter explaining their religious beliefs and request an exception to the law.