

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS/PHYSICAL EXAMS
Penn-Harris-Madison Kindergarten Students
School Year 2015-2016

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Your child's health is important to us. It is well known that healthy children are in a better position to take advantage of the educational opportunities presented to them than children who are physically or emotionally struggling. In light of this important information, the Penn-Harris-Madison School Corporation requests that each child have a physical exam and a dental exam before entering Kindergarten.

Immunizations are also used to protect your children against certain diseases as well as other children in the school. Under Indiana Public Law, when a child enrolls in school his/her parent/guardian is required to furnish written proof that a child is fully immunized as required by the Indiana State Department of Health. **Please furnish the immunization paperwork before the first day of school, August 19, 2015.**

**Immunizations may be obtained from your family doctor, St. Joseph County Health Department, or other area clinics. Please call the school health office for resources.

Minimum Immunization Requirements

- 5 doses of DtaP/DTP/DT or 4 doses are acceptable if the fourth dose was administered on or after the fourth birthday
- 4 doses of Polio-the 4th dose must be on or after the fourth birthday and at least 6 months after the previous dose or another dose will be required or 3 doses are acceptable if all are IPV or all are OPV and the 3rd dose was given after the 4th birthday and at least 6 months after the previous dose.
- 3 doses of Hepatitis B
- 2 doses of MMR- on or after the first birthday
- 2 doses of Varicella (chickenpox)-on or after the first birthday and separated by 3 months or written *physician* documentation of the month and year of disease.
- 2 doses of Hepatitis A

Questions about immunizations can be directed to the school health office. Thank you!

School phone number: _____ School fax number _____