



## **Somerville Public Schools Required Health Information**

### **Physical Examination:**

A complete physical examination (done within one year) is required of all children new to the Somerville Public School system as well as those children entering Kindergarten, 4<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grades. Completed physical examination on a School/Camp Form from your child's doctor's office should be included with the registration. No child will be able to attend school without providing all required medical documentation. Only upon completion of this process, will a child be fully registered and allowed to begin school. For more information about immunizations and physical examination requirements, contact the PIC Nurse or Nursing Supervisor at (617) 625-6600 x6967 or (617) 629-5670.

### **Immunization:**

**The State Law Chapter 76, Section 15, indicates that no child should be admitted to school unless he or she has been immunized against diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, measles, mumps, rubella, polio, and chicken pox** except for documented medical or religious reasons. If you provide medical or religious exemptions you must continue to do so at the beginning of each school year. The medical record must indicate dates of immunizations – month, day and year. Department of Public Health regulations effective March 1, 1990, required children to present evidence of having been previously screened for lead poisoning as a condition for entry into Kindergarten. Parents should provide documentation from their child's pediatrician. If you need help locating a local provider, please call the Parent Information Center nurse at (617) 625-6600 x6967.

According to rules and regulations by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health:

### **Students entering Pre-K in September 2019 need:**

- 3 doses of Hepatitis B
- 4 doses of DTaP/DTP
- 3 doses of Polio
- 1 dose of MMR or documentation of immunity by titer or history of the disease
- 1 dose of Varicella, or documentation of immunity by titer or history of the disease
- 1-4 doses of Hib
- A physical exam (school/camp form) within the past 12 months at the time of registration
- Lead test number result
- Documentation by physician of low risk TB assessment or if student is assessed high risk a TB test result