

# JUNIOR Highers

**Physical Exam:** Students entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade must have a physical on file dated within one year of the start of the new school year. A “*sports physical*” does not meet the requirement for 6<sup>th</sup> grade physical. However, if your student is participating in sports, the 6<sup>th</sup> grade physical will work for a “*sports physical*.”

(Note: The top portion of the physical form, which is marked “Health History” is to be completed and signed by the parent/guardian).

**Immunizations:** Students entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade are required to have 2 new immunizations. Tdap booster and Meningitis (on or after your student’s 11<sup>th</sup> birthday.) **If your child is still 10 years old when school starts, your healthcare provider must document when the meningitis vaccine will be given. It is your responsibility to keep that appointment. Your student will no longer be in compliance if the vaccine is not given on the designated appointment date.** Other immunization requirements which should have already been completed are: DTP/polio series, MMR x2, Hepatitis B x3, Chicken Pox (Varicella) x2. Please check with your healthcare provider to make sure your student is up-to-date.

It is a good idea to make your physical appointment now, as the offices get very busy over the summer months. Physical/immunization forms must be turned in **BEFORE** the first day of student attendance. **Students will not be allowed to begin the school year until they are in compliance with these requirements.**

**Health Survey Form:** Please complete a new health survey for each of your students.

**A dental exam** is required for all 6<sup>th</sup> grade students. The deadline for turning in the dental form is **May 15<sup>th</sup>**. The dental exam must have taken place within 18 months prior to the **May 15<sup>th</sup>** deadline. If the dental exam is completed during the summer, you may turn in the dental exam form along with the child’s other health records at the start of the year.

**Medications:** Please note that **ALL MEDICATIONS** to be taken at school must have written authorization by **you and your healthcare provider:** this includes all over-the-counter medication **AND** prescription medication.

- An adult must drop all medication off at the office. Never send medication to school with your student.
- Students are not allowed to have any medications in their possession during the school day (unless approved by healthcare provider in writing).
- If your child has asthma, the State of Illinois requests an Asthma Action Plan be completed by your child’s healthcare provider and turned in at the start of the school year.
- Please bring only **swallow or chewable** over-the-counter meds. (Avoid liquids, if possible)

If you have any questions about the health requirements or use of medications at school, please feel free to contact Nurse Pam.

Thank you for helping your student be prepared for the first day of Junior High School!  
We are looking forward to successful 2019-20 school year!