

Lexington Community School



(2020-21 School Year)

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are so excited that your child is about to join us here at Lexington Elementary School! We want to help make this transition as smooth as possible for you and your child. Hopefully this information will answer some of your questions about the State of Illinois health requirements for Kindergarten students.

- **Physical exam:** The physical needs to be done within one year prior to your child's first day of school. This "Child Health Examination" form must be turned in to the elementary or nurse's office prior to the first day of school. There is a "Health History" section for the parent to complete at the top of the form. Please answer the questions in this section and sign it.
- **Required immunizations:** All immunizations must be documented on the "Child Health Examination" form. *If your healthcare provider gives a computer print-out of your child's shots, please ask the provider to sign the print out.*
 - 4 doses of DTP/Dtap (last dose received on or after 4th birthday)
 - 4 doses of Polio (last dose received on or after 4th birthday)
 - 2 doses of Measles/Mumps/Rubella (MMR)
 - 2 doses of Chicken Pox (Varicella)
- **Lead Screening:** Lead screening is a required part of the health exam for children age 6 years or younger, prior to admission to Kindergarten.
- **Vision exam:** The vision exam must be done by a licensed optometrist or ophthalmologist. The Eye Examination Report must also be turned in to the office prior to the first day of school.
- **Dental exam:** The dental exam form is due by May 15th of your child's kindergarten school year. The dental exam must have taken place within 18 months prior to the May 15th deadline. However, if the dental exam form is already completed, it may be turned in along with the child's other health records at the start of the school year.

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. If medication is needed, please bring only **swallow or chewable** over-the-counter meds. (**Avoid liquids, if possible**) An adult must drop all medication off at the nurse's office. Never send medication to school with your student.

If you have questions about immunizations or other health related requirements, please call the school at 309-365-2741 and talk with Nurse Pam.