

In February/March the State of Illinois Certificate of Child Health Examination *physical exam forms were prepared with immunizations documented for all 5th grade students in the district and sent home with this cover letter. The physical exam must be completed by the beginning of the school year. If you have misplace the physical exam form, please print the form from this web site.

TO: PARENTS OF 5TH GRADE STUDENTS

FROM: SCHOOL HEALTH OFFICE, Mattoon Middle School

WELCOME TO Mattoon Middle School! Illinois State Law requires the following health requirements **BEFORE** your student enters the 6th grade.

1. **All students MUST have a physical examination BEFORE SCHOOL IN THE FALL.**
Physicals may be completed anytime up to one year before the school starts in the fall. Illinois State Law requires the physical to be completed on the attached form. **Plan early and make your appointment now!**
2. IMMUNIZATIONS ARE RECORDED ON THE ATTACHED PHYSICAL FORM. According to our records, your student will be required to have:

_____ Tdap. This new requirement will be enforced starting in the 2012-2013 school year. Per the school code "students entering grades seven through 12 who have not already received Tdap are required to receive 1 Tdap dose regardless of the interval since the last DTaP, DT, or Td dose.

_____ the following shots _____
3. Students who have completed their physicals BEFORE school dismisses for the year may bring those physicals to the Health Office at that time. Physicals completed during the summer must be completed and returned to the school nurse at school registration in August.
4. An ISHA sports physical is NOT ACCEPTABLE for entrance to 6th grade, however, the 6th grade physical can be used for a sports physical. If your child will be participating in a sport during 6th grade, please make a copy of the completed Physical Exam to be given to the MMS Sports Secretary.
5. NO CLASS SCHEDULE will be given to students until their completed physical form has been returned and checked by the school nurse.
6. **PARENTS: You must complete the Health History questions on the back of the physical form.**
The physical examination is not considered complete without this section completed.
7. Immunizations are available at a free/ or a minimal charge through the Coles County Public Health Dept. Please call 234-2500 to make an appointment.

If you have any questions, please call the School Nurse, Mattoon Middle School Health Office at 238-5800 or the District Nurse at 238-7815.