

Dear Family,

The purpose of this letter is to make you aware of State health requirements for admission to an Illinois school and some important Moline District No. 40 policies.

Physicals and Immunizations

The *Illinois School Code*, Chapter 122-Section 27-8, requires that all students have a physical examination completed on the state mandated Illinois form by a physician licensed to practice medicine in all its branches at the following times:

1. Students entering an Illinois school for the first time (dated within one year of entry).
2. Students entering preschool, kindergarten, sixth, and ninth grades.
3. Students in ungraded classrooms must have a physical at ages 5, 10, 15, & 20 (prior to the date of entering and within one year of that date).

The parent must complete and sign the parent/guardian portion.

All students must present documented evidence of adequate immunizations for school attendance as required by the Illinois Department of Public Health:

DTP—4 doses with the last dose on or after the 4th birthday

Tdap— Beginning Fall 2013—Proof of receipt of one dose of Tdap for all students entering 6th-12th grades

Polio—Minimum 3 doses with the last dose on or after the 4th birthday

MMR—2 doses (1st dose must be on or after 1st birthday)

Hepatitis B— 3 doses for the following:

Any child two years of age or older entering a school program (i.e. pre-kindergarten, early childhood, pre-school)

Entering 5th grade for the first time after July 1997

Varicella (Chicken pox)—required for all pre-school, kindergarten, and first entry after 7/1/02

****Must show proof of vaccine or have a physician's verification of disease**

Lead Screening—required for students through six years of age

HIB Series (Haemophilus Influenza Type B)—required for pre-kindergarten age

Dental Examination—required for students in kindergarten, second and sixth grades

Eye Examination—required for students entering kindergarten and new students enrolling in an Illinois school for the first time

If you object to these requirements on religious grounds, your child will not be required to comply if you present to the school a Statement of Religious Objection signed by you as well as the completion of the required Moline School District No. 40 paperwork.

Medication in School

Medication administration is normally not a function of education; however, Moline School Board Policy allows for medication to be given at school when:

1. The physician states that the medication or treatment must be administered during the school day to allow the student to attend school.
2. The district's medication forms are completed and signed by the physician and/or parent and are on file in the school office or clinic.

Medication should be brought to the school office or clinic and picked up by the parent or another responsible person. Students are not allowed to carry medication on the bus. Students using inhalers for asthma control, Epi-pens for bee sting allergies, diabetic glucose monitoring or other "as needed" medications or treatments, must have the physician's written authorization to "self-administer" their medication or carry it on their person at school. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated by the school staff as we work to make the Moline Public Schools a safe and comfortable learning environment for your children.

Community resources can be found on the back side of this letter.

Sincerely

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