

Maryland Schools  
Record of  
Physical Examination

To Parents or Guardians:

In order for your child to enter a Maryland Public school for the first time, the following are required:

A physical examination by a physician or certified nurse practitioner must be completed within nine months prior to entering the public school system or within six months after entering the system. A Physical Examination form designated by the Maryland State Department of Education and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall be used to meet this requirement.

Evidence of complete primary immunizations against certain childhood communicable diseases is required for all students in preschool through the twelfth grade. A Maryland Immunization Certification form for newly enrolling students may be obtained from the local health department or from school personnel. The immunization certification form (DHMH 896) or a printed or a computer generated immunization record form and the required immunizations must be completed before a child may attend school.

Evidence of blood testing is required for all students who reside in a designated at risk area when first entering Pre-kindergarten, Kindergarten, and 1<sup>st</sup> grade. The blood-lead testing certificate (DHMH 4620) (or another written document signed by a Health Care Practitioner) shall be used to meet this requirement.

Exemptions from a physical examination and immunizations are permitted if they are contrary to a students' or family's religious beliefs. Students may also be exempted from immunization requirements if a physician/nurse practitioner or health department official certifies that there is a medical reason not to receive a vaccine. Exemptions from Blood-Lead testing is permitted if it is contrary to a families religious beliefs and practices. The Blood- lead certificate must be signed by a Health Care Practitioner stating a questionnaire was done.

The health information on this form will be available only to those health and education personnel who have a legitimate educational interest in your child.

Please complete Part I of this Physical Examination form. Part II must be completed by a physician or nurse practitioner, or a copy of your child's physical examination must be attached to this form.

If your child requires medication to be administered in school, you must have the physician complete a medication administration form for each medication. If you do not have access to a physician or nurse practitioner or if your child requires a special individualized health procedure, please contact the principal and/or school nurse in your child's school.

Maryland State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene  
Records Retention - This form must be retained in the school record until the student is age 21.

Maryland State Department of Education

# PART I - HEALTH ASSESSMENT

To be completed by parent or guardian

Student's Name (Last, First, Middle)	Birthdate (Mo. Day Yr.)	Sex (M/F)	Name of School	Grade
Address (Number, Street, City, State, Zip)			Phone No.	
Parent/Guardian Names				
Where do you usually take your child for routine medical care?			Phone No.	
Name:		Address:		
When was the last time your child had a physical exam? Month _____ Year _____				
Where do you usually take your child for dental care?			Phone No.	
Name:		Address:		
<b>ASSESSMENT OF STUDENT HEALTH</b> To the best of your knowledge has your child any problem with the following? Please check				
	Yes	No	Comments	
Allergies (Food, Insects, Drugs, Latex)				
Allergies (Seasonal)				
Asthma or Breathing Problems				
Behavior or Emotional Problems				
Birth Defects				
Bleeding Problems				
Cerebral Palsy				
Dental				
Diabetes				
Ear Problems or Deafness				
Eye or Vision Problems				
Head Injury				
Heart Problems				
Hospitalization (When, Where)				
Lead Poisoning/Exposure				
Learning problems/disabilities				
Limits on Physical Activity				
Meningitis				
Prematurity				
Problem with Bladder				
Problem with Bowels				
Problem with Coughing				
Seizures				
Serious Allergic Reactions				
Sickle Cell Disease				
Speech Problems				
Surgery				
Other				
Does your child take any medication? No    Yes    Name(s) of Medications: _____				
Is your child on any special treatments? (nebulizer, epi-pen, etc.) No    Yes    Treatment _____				
Does your child require any special procedures? (catheterization, etc.) No    Yes				
Parent/Guardian Signature _____			Date: _____	

**PART II - SCHOOL HEALTH ASSESSMENT**  
To be completed **ONLY** by Physician/Nurse Practitioner

Student's Name (Last, First, Middle)	Birthdate (Mo. Day Yr.)	Sex (M/F)	Name of School	Grade
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1. Does the child have a diagnosed medical condition?  
No Yes \_\_\_\_\_

2. Does the child have a health condition which may require EMERGENCY ACTION while he/she is at school? (e.g., seizure, insect sting allergy, asthma, bleeding problem, diabetes, heart problem, or other problem) If yes, please DESCRIBE. Additionally, please "work with your school nurse to develop an emergency plan".  
No Yes \_\_\_\_\_

3. Are there any abnormal findings on evaluation for concern?  
Evaluation Findings/CONCERNS

Physical Exam	WNL	ABNL	Area of Concern	Health Area of Concern	YES	NO
Head				Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity		
Eyes				Behavior/Adjustment		
ENT				Development		
Dental				Hearing		
Respiratory				Immunodeficiency		
Cardiac				Lead Exposure/Elevated Lead		
GI				Learning Disabilities/Problems		
GU				Mobility		
Musculoskeletal/orthopedic				Nutrition		
Neurological				Physical Illness/Impairment		
Skin				Psychosocial		
Endocrine				Speech/Language		
Psychosocial				Vision		
				Other		

REMARKS: (Please explain any abnormal findings.)

4. **RECORD OF IMMUNIZATIONS** – DHMH 896 is required to be completed by a health care provider or a computer generated immunization record must be provided.

5. Is the child on medication? If yes, indicate medication and diagnosis.  
No Yes ~  
**(A medication administration form must be completed for medication administration in school).**

6. Should there be any restriction of physical activity in school? If yes, specify nature and duration of restriction.  
No Yes \_\_\_\_\_

7. Screenings	Results	Date Taken
Tuberculin Test		
Blood Pressure		
Height		
Weight		
BMI %tile		
Lead Test	Optional	

**PART II - SCHOOL HEALTH ASSESSMENT - continued**

To be completed **ONLY** by Physician/Nurse Practitioner

(Child's Name) \_\_\_\_\_ has had a complete physical examination and has

9 no evident problem that may affect learning or full school participation          problems noted above

Additional Comments:

Physician/Nurse Practitioner (Type or Print)

Phone No.

Physician/Nurse Practitioner Signature

Date