

## HEALTH FORMS AND MEDICATION GUIDELINES

### SCHOOL PHYSICAL:

Students entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade and new students to the district must present proof of the required State of Illinois physical examination and immunizations. If this is not completed, the student will be excluded from school on the last Monday in September.

- **Out of State Transfers:** A physical is required on the Illinois State Physical Form with immunizations by the last Monday of September. If unable to provide, then, at that time, the student may attend school with proof that an appointment has been made for that physical or immunization.

### IMMUNIZATIONS:

All immunizations must be up to date **prior to a student starting school**. If you have any questions about Illinois mandated immunizations, please consult your physician or Crone's registered nurse.

- **Tdap:** All students **entering, advancing, or transferring into 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grades** will be required to show proof of receipt of one dose of Tdap vaccine (combined tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis), regardless of the interval since the last DTaP, DT, or Td dose. *Current 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade students already have this proof on file.*
- **Hepatitis B:** Children **entering the 6<sup>th</sup> grade** shall show proof of having received three doses of this vaccine.
- **Rubella and Mumps:** *New for 2014-15 school year:* Children entering school at any grade level shall show proof of having received **two doses** of live rubella and mumps virus vaccines. Most children have received these as a combination MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) vaccine during early childhood before entering kindergarten.
- **Varicella:** *New for 2014-15 school year.* Children **entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade** shall show proof of having received **two doses** of varicella vaccine, or proof of prior varicella disease (chicken pox).

### 6<sup>th</sup> GRADE DENTAL EXAMINATIONS:

All Illinois children in 6<sup>th</sup> grade are required to have an oral health examination performed by a licensed dentist. Illinois state law requires that the dental exam be dated between November 15, 2013 and May 15, 2015.

### MANDATED EYE EXAMS:

A vision exam is required of all students **new** to school in the state of Illinois. Written proof of having been examined by a physician licensed to practice medicine in all of its branches or a licensed optometrist will be required.

### SPORTS PHYSICAL:

All students who participate in interscholastic sports must have a current sports physical on file. A sports physical is current for 13 months from the date the doctor signed it. IHSA/IESA or Illinois physical forms are both accepted. Sports physicals are required to TRY OUT for any interscholastic sport.

## **MEDICATION POLICY:**

**SELF-MEDICATION:** A student may self-medicate with a parent's **written permission**. Self-medication forms are available online or in the Nurse's office at Crone.

- **Asthma medication:** A student may self-medicate with asthma medication if either a doctor fills out the self-medication form (doctor's signature required) **OR** a copy of the prescription label of the asthma med is given to the nurse (does not require a doctor's signature).
- **Parents should instruct their student on proper dosage and administration.**
- Student should keep medication in locker, backpack or purse.
- Do not send full bottles – only send a couple of doses. When the bottle is empty, the student can take it home to refill with parental supervision.
- **Self-medication may never be shared with other students.**
- Students who are observed by staff as abusing or carelessly handling self-medications will be brought to the nurse's attention. Parents will then be contacted to discuss the appropriateness of self-medication for their student.

**NURSE ADMINISTERED MEDICATION:** The nurse can ONLY administer medication to a student with a doctor's order – even over the counter medications. If a parent would like the nurse to store and administer medication to your student, the parent and the physician must fill out a "**Student Medication Form**" (available online or from the nurse). This form authorizes the nurse and/or administrative personnel (in the absence of the nurse) to administer medications.

- Medication must be delivered in the original pharmaceutical labeled container with the student's name, medication name, dosage, and any pertinent information. Medication in baggies will not be accepted.
- Over the counter medication should be in original packaging.

Check expiration dates – **expired meds will not be accepted.**

**Please keep copies for your records.**

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**~~~~~ All forms are now ONLINE on the Crone Web Page. Click on "Student Services" and then go to "Nurse's Office/Medical Forms" ~~~~~**

