



Amherst Central School District

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Please review current NYS regulations regarding school health examinations and immunizations. **All ACSD students are required to meet required school health regulations prior to the first day of school or students are at risk of school exclusion.** Updated medical paperwork can be mailed, dropped off, faxed or uploaded to your child's Aspen health documents (via Parent Portal). Our nursing staff will review all documents received prior to summer break and at the end of August when they return to the office.

Health Examinations

A school health examination is required for grades Pre K, Kindergarten, 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th and 11th grade students. These examinations may be completed up to one year to the month before your child begins these grades, as an exam is valid for a full year through the last day of the month in which the exam was conducted. Updated school health examinations shall be completed and returned by September 1, 2021 (see methods of return above).

Immunization Requirements

New York State Law Section 2164 requires certain immunizations to enter and attend school. Please check with your health care provider and/or school nurse as soon as possible to make sure that your child has all the needed immunizations. [The NYS Immunization Requirements for School Entrance/Attendance](#) apply to all ACSD students enrolled in the 2021-22 school year beginning this September.

Per NYSDOH: *"The NYSDOH recognizes the challenges related to the COVID-19 pandemic and that some students may have missed doses of vaccines that were due this past year. Most primary care providers have resumed administering routine vaccines. Therefore, NYSDOH expects any students who missed doses of vaccines due to COVID-19 to receive any overdue doses within 14 days after entry into the 2021-22 school year, regardless of in person or remote school attendance; this may be extended for 30 days for students transferring from out of state or another country."*

If you have any questions or concerns about health examinations and/or immunizations, please contact your child's school nurse:

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Kathy Celmer, RN- Smallwood Drive Elementary School (phone # 362-2108; fax # 839-3578)

Nicole Perna, RN- Amherst Middle School (phone # 362-7104; fax # 836-0193)

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