THE PORT BYRON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT



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As of July 1,2018, New York State law requires a Health Examination for all students:

- Entering the School District
- When entering Pre-K, K, 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, and 11<sup>th</sup> grade.

The examination must be completed by a New York State licensed physician, physician assistant or nurse practitioner and on the approved NYSED Student Health Examination Form for School.

A dental certificate which states your child has been seen by a dentist or dental hygienist is **optional.** The school will provide you with a list of dentists and registered dental hygienists who offer dental services on a free or reduced cost basis if you ask for it.

- A copy of the health examination must be provided to the school within **30 days** from when your child first starts at the school, and when your child starts UPK, K, 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, & 11<sup>th</sup> grades. If a copy is not given to the school within 30 days, the school will contact you and send out a second notice, if a Health exam or doctor's appointment is not set up or received after the second notice then the school will use the School Physician to complete the Health exam per NYS Law.
- If your child has an appointment for an exam during this school year that is after the first 30 days of school, please notify the Health Office with the date.
- Communication between private and school health staff is important for safe and effective care at school. Your healthcare provider may not share health information with school health staff without your signed permission. Please talk to your provider about signing their consent form for the school at the time of your child's appointment for the examination.
- We suggest you make copies of the completed forms for your own records before sending them to the school health office. Forms may also be faxed to the number below.

Any questions or concerns please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

Hillary Feocco, RN UPK – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade 315-776-5728 Ext. 1322 Fax: 315-776-6110 Jennifer Stoddard RN 7-12<sup>th</sup> Grade 315-776-5728 Ext. 1321 Fax: 315-776-6110 This letter is to inform you of **two** important changes in Education Law effective **7/1/2018**.

Beginning 7/1/18 all New York State public school students must have a health exam when they enter school as a new entrant and in Pre-K or Kindergarten and grades 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11. These examinations must be completed on the approved NYSED Student Health Examination Form for School for the health exam.

We understand that your medical provider's office may not yet be aware of the change, so if you have already had a physical examination completed for the 2018-19 school year on a different form, the school may accept the physical on that form.

The Approved NYSED Student Health Examination Form for Schools will be available this spring on the New York State Center for School Health (NYSCSH) website at <u>www.schoolhealthny.com</u> on the Sample Form / Notifications page.

In 2019-2020 ONLY the approved form will be accepted. We realize many offices use electronic health records to document student health data. We encourage you to work with your EHR vendor to incorporate the approved form prior to 2019.

We appreciate your time in collaborating with us to provide your child/patient and our student with the required documentation as required by law.

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Sincerely,

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