

RIDGEWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Ridgewood, New Jersey

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION & IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

Kindergarten – Grades 12

All of the required information must be submitted prior to the first day of school (or starting date). A student can be refused entry until all requirements are met. If registering in the spring for the next school year, the forms are due June 15. If registering during the summer for September entrance, the forms are due prior to September 1. If registering for the current school year, the immunization record and health history are due before entrance. The physical exam form is due within 30 days of entrance. Exceptions may be granted only for religious beliefs or medical recommendations.

All students entering Kindergarten in the State of New Jersey must have documentation of a completed physical examination by their personal physician before entering the school district. We have provided you with the form. This exam must have been performed within 365 days prior to the first day of school (or starting date) and must state what, if any, modifications are required for full participation in the school program. Dental, hearing and eye examinations are also recommended, but not mandatory. A record of the student's medical history, physical and emotional make-up may be very helpful in handling and teaching the student should problems subsequently develop. Families who do not have a personal physician or access to medical care should discuss this with the school nurse.

In addition to the requirements noted above, TB (Mantoux Testing) may be required for a select group of foreign born students and/or students transferring from a high TB incidence country into the Ridgewood Public Schools. Please consult your school nurse for details.

Immunization Requirements for Children Entering Kindergarten & Higher Grades:

DTaP (Diphtheria and Tetanus Toxoids and Pertussis Vaccine)

Age 5-6 years: A minimum of four (4) doses of DTaP are required. One dose must have been administered on or after the fourth birthday or any five (5) doses.

Age 7-9 years: A minimum of three (3) doses of Td or any previously administered combination of DTP, DTaP and DT to equal three (3) doses.

Tdap (Tetanus and Diphtheria Toxoids and Acellular Pertussis Vaccine)

One (1) dose for students entering Grade 6, or comparable age level for special education programs.

OPV (Oral Poliovirus Vaccine) or IPV (Inactivated Polio Vaccine)

Age 5-6 years: A minimum of three (3) doses of poliovirus vaccine is required, providing one dose is given on or after the fourth birthday, or any four (4) doses.

Age 7 and older: Any three (3) doses

MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella)

Administered after the first birthday:

Two (2) doses of a live Measles-containing vaccine

One (1) dose of live Mumps-containing vaccine

One (1) dose of live Rubella-containing vaccine

Hepatitis B Vaccine

Three (3) doses are required.

Varicella Vaccine

One (1) dose administered on or after the first birthday for children born after 1/1/1998

PCV (Pneumococcal Conjugate)

Two (2) doses - Ages 2–11 months

One (1) dose - Ages 12-59 months

Meningococcal

One (1) dose for students entering Grade 6, or comparable age level for special education programs

HPV (Human Papillomavirus Vaccine) - Optional

Administer to females, minimum age 9 years, and ages 13 to 18 if not previously vaccinated

1st dose – Age 11 or 12 years

2nd dose - 2 months after first dose

3rd dose - 6 months after first dose (at least 24 weeks after 1st dose)

HIB (Haemophilus Influenza Type B)

One (1) dose annually - Ages 12 months to 59 Months