

Health Requirements for School Entry

Vernon Public Schools

Pre-Kindergarten (PreK)/Preschool:

In order for your child to enter PreK, your doctor or qualified health care provider must complete the [Early Childhood State Health Assessment](#) (yellow form). The form is available on this website. The physical will be acceptable if it has been done 1 year prior to the start of the current school year. According to the State of Connecticut Statute, health care providers must complete all of the asterisk (*) boxes on the form, including the evaluation for Tuberculosis (TB). The parent/guardian completes Part 1 of this form.

Kindergarten (K):

Before entering kindergarten, your doctor or qualified health care provider must complete a [State Mandated Health Assessment](#) (blue form). The form is available on this website. The physical will be acceptable if it has been done 1 year prior to the start of the current school year. According to the State of Connecticut Statute, health care providers must complete all of the asterisk (*) boxes on the form, including the evaluation for Tuberculosis (TB). The parent/guardians complete Part 1 of this form.

Grade 6:

The State of Connecticut requires a physical exam (PE) for students' ages 11-12 years old. This mandated health assessment given by a doctor or qualified health care provider will be acceptable if it has been done 1 year prior to entering the 6th grade. If the PE is not in the health office by June of the 6th grade, the student will not receive a homeroom assignment for entry into the next grade (7). Entrance will be denied.

Grade 7:

Students in this grade must have a tetanus-diphtheria (Tdap) immunization booster and a meningococcal immunization prior to entering. Your child will NOT be allowed to start school without it and will be sent home until the immunizations are obtained.

Grade 10:

The State of Connecticut requires a physical exam (PE) prior to entrance into the 10th grade. This mandated health assessment given by a doctor or a legally qualified practitioner of medicine, will be acceptable if it has been done 1 year prior to entrance into the 10th grade. If the PE is not in the health office by June of the 10th grade, the student will NOT receive a class schedule for the 11th grade. Entrance will be denied.

New Entrant/Transfer Students:

New entrants and transfer students are any students who are new to the Vernon School District. These students must show proof of a physical exam done by a qualified medical practitioner that is appropriate for the grade level that they are entering. The exam must include a tuberculosis (TB) assessment (see [TB Protocol](#)).

A student entering from out of the country must have a Physical Exam/Health Assessment and immunizations completed within the previous year by a doctor or legally qualified practitioner of health, licensed pursuant to chapter 370 or 378 to practice in Connecticut or any other state. The exam must include a tuberculosis (TB) skin test (see [TB Protocol](#)).

IMMUNIZATIONS FOR ALL GRADES MUST BE CURRENT. A copy of the current State of Connecticut Immunization Requirements is included on this website.

If the above requirements have not been met, **YOUR CHILD MAY BE DENIED ENTRANCE** into school. Parents or guardians having difficulty obtaining a physical due to lack of insurance, should call the Husky Information hotline at 1-877-284-8759 AND call the school nurse. A Husky application is included on this website.

Sports Physicals:

All athletes must have a [Sports Physical](#) prior to TRYING OUT for a team. This PE must be dated after May 1st of the current school year. Example: after 5/1/2013 for the year 2013-2014 school year. This form may be downloaded from the Athletic Department's website or this website. This form does **NOT** substitute for a grade 6 or 10 physical.