

Thompson Public School Health Services

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Welcome the Thompson Public Schools!

Health Requirements for School Entry:

- **Physical Examination Record**
- **Immunization Record**
- **Emergency Card**
- **Medical History Update**

Any student entering the school system must present written evidence of a physical examination complete with the required immunizations set forth by the State of Connecticut Department of Public Health, the Department of Education, and the Thompson Board of Education. This requirement must be met prior to attending school. The emergency card and the medical history form completes the health registration process.

- **Students entering from a school within the State of Connecticut** must provide written results of a **physical examination completed** in the most current year of the mandated years set forth by the state- **PreK if entering PreK, K if entering K - Grade 5, Grade 6/7 if entering grades 6-9, Grade10/11 if entering grade 10-12**. A written copy of immunization required by the State of Connecticut must also be provided **prior to entry** (requirements attached to this notice).
- **Students entering from out of the State of Connecticut** must provide written results of a physical examination completed within the last calendar year, this must include a record of immunizations as required (attached to this notice). Physicals are offered by a Board of Education appointed physician to students in grades 6, 10, and to students who are trying out for participation in a school sport grades 5-12.

All sport participants must have a physical examination after July 1st of the year of participation -each school year. The results of such physical must be presented to the school nurse prior to the first tryout/practice session.

Emergency Health Card

Blue Emergency Health Cards are distributed the first day of school each year and with each new registration thereafter. It is most important to complete and return these cards to the nurse immediately as it is our primary source of reaching you when your child becomes ill or has an emergency. Teachers are updated each year concerning your child's health care needs. Please inform your child's **teacher, coach, and bus driver** of any **medical conditions or health care needs as necessary**. We rely on your prompt completion and return of this card to relay this vital information as soon and as accurately as you permit. Any and all calls to parents concerning a child's dismissal from school for health reasons must be initiated by a school nurse. Students are not allowed to use a cell phone to call a parent **prior** to visiting the nurse **or in place of** visiting the nurse.

- **If your child suffers from an injury and requires the use of assistive devices ie, crutches, sling, brace etc. the nurse must be notified prior to the child coming to school with any such assistive device and a written note from a physician is required.**
- **If your child has an extended illness and/or any change in his/her health status a written note from a physician may be required.**

Requirements for Medication Administration and Medical Treatments During School Time

It is a regulation in the State of Connecticut and a policy of the Thompson Board of Education that no medication may be taken or given to a student without the written authorization of a physician and a parent. This includes over the counter medications such as Benadryl, Aspirin, inhalers, etc., Medication taken during school time should be limited as much as possible. Students will be disciplined for any infraction of this policy according to the school handbook.

- If your child must receive medicines while at school the physician may fax the authorization to the school nurse or the forms may be obtained from the school nurse office. The parent must then sign the authorization.
- All medications must be delivered to the school nurse by a responsible adult in an original container and/or pharmacy labeled container.
- No child is allowed to transport medications to and from school.

If your child requires a medical procedure to be performed at any time throughout the school day a written authorization from a parent and a physician must be completed in detail and given to the nurse prior to the date of necessary treatment. A planning session with the parent, nurse and possibly the teacher will be necessary.

School Accident Insurance

School accident insurance forms are available on the Thompson School web page or contact the Superintendent's office. This insurance covers accidents only, it does not cover illnesses. It is not a requirement for you to purchase this insurance; it is optional. This insurance may be used as a supplemental plan to our athletic insurance. Each athlete is covered by our athletic plan while participating in a school sponsored sport. If your child sustains an injury while participating in school-sponsored sport and receives medical care you must notify the nurse if you desire to initiate a claim with the insurance company. All claims must be on file within 90(ninety) days of the injury for any claim to be recognized. This policy provides payment on a designated scale; it does not cover 100%.

Health Screenings

Vision: Grades K, 1, & 3-5 & students in other grades upon request

Hearing: Grades K, 1 & 3-5 & students in other grades upon request

Scoliosis: Female Students Gr 5 and 7 with parental permission

Male Students Gr 8 or 9 with parental permission

Physicals: Grade 6 & 10 physicals with parental permission

High School sport physicals

Middle School sport physicals with parental permission

Sport Physicals must be completed after July 1, of the current school year in which the sport is being played. One physical per academic year for all/any sport and/or mandated grade physical

Any questions or concerns please feel free to contact the health service department.
Thank you for your cooperation in protecting the health of our students.

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WELCOME TO OUR EDUCATIONAL COMMUNITY!