

NEWTOWN SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES
INFORMATION FOR PARENTS OF
INCOMING KINDERGARTENERS



Our mission is to promote student health and safety, so that your student can be the best learner possible.

Newtown Elementary School Nurses

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HEALTH OFFICE HIGHLIGHTS FOR INCOMING KINDERGARTENERS

PHYSICAL EXAM AND IMMUNIZATION COMPLIANCE

A completed [Health Assessment Record](#) (physical) with [required immunizations](#) for Kindergarten entry is due BEFORE the start of school to allow the nurse time for review and processing before classes begin. Students are not permitted to start school without the required information on file in the Health Office. Student's physical exam must not be more than 12 months old by the beginning of the school year.

MEDICATION

Any MEDICATIONS that a student needs to take during the school day, including over the counter medicine, needs a [Medication Authorization](#) filled out and signed by both the physician and the parent. Please bring all necessary medication to the Health office, do not put medications in your child's backpack.

CHANGE OF CLOTHES

In case of bathroom accidents or spillage, please keep a change of clothes in the bottom of your student's backpack in a labeled ziplock bag. There are limited clothing items available in the Health Office for emergency use.

ILLNESSES

Students will be sent home for the following reasons:

- Vomiting/diarrhea
- Temperature over 100 degrees
- Persistent, uncontrollable cough
- Contagious illness
- Feeling too ill to eat or to participate in class



ILLNESS RELATED ABSENCES

When calling school with your child's absence, please state any significant illness. This allows the nurse to track illnesses such as pneumonia, strep infections, Covid and flu.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO SHARE WITH THE SCHOOL NURSE

Please call your school nurse to discuss any significant medical diagnoses and/or medications (including asthma, allergy induced anaphylaxis, diabetes, seizure disorders, etc.) before the start of school.