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Dear Parents/Guardians,

This is to inform you of the grade level health requirements for students as set forth by the State of Connecticut and the Danbury Public Schools.

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic which resulted in limited access to in person visits with health care providers, the Danbury Public Schools will make the following accommodations for submission of the required health documentation.

1. Kindergarten and all grade level new enrollments:

- A complete physical exam on or after September 1, 2018 will be accepted for enrollment. A new complete physical exam, (Blue Form), must be submitted to the School Nurse by November 1, 2020 to ensure continued attendance in school.
- A vaccine record must accompany the physical. Students have until November 1, 2020 to submit to the School Nurse proof of immunizations for any vaccines that were delayed due to the COVID -19 pandemic.

2. Grades 6 and 9

- A complete physical exam, (Blue Form), is required for the 2020-2021 school year. Please submit the form to the School Nurse by December 1, 2020.
- Any student from grades 6 and 9 during the 2019-2020 school year who did not submit their state required physical examination must do so by November 1, 2020 to ensure continued attendance in school.

3. Grade 7

• The date for submitting documentation for the Tdap and Menactra vaccines has been extended to November 1, 2020.

Please refer to the Danbury Public Schools Health Services web page for access to the Blue Form and resources for healthcare and COVID-19 information..

https://sites.google.com/danbury.k12.ct.us/health-services/home

The district will keep you informed on the availability of flu vaccine clinics as we approach the new school year. The flu vaccine is required for all Pre-K students. Early vaccination is encouraged, but must be completed by December 31, 2020 to return to school in January 2021. Everyone age 6 months of age and older are encouraged to have the flu vaccine.

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns. Along with our School Nurses, I thank you for your cooperation as we partner to ensure the optimum level of health for your children.

We have missed our students and look forward to seeing everyone again soon!

Yours Truly,

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