# EAST HAMPTON SCHOOLS REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS AND HEALTH ASSESSMENTS

## School Health Assessments:

Based on guidelines provided by Connecticut General Statutes, the East Hampton Board of Education *requires that a formal health assessment be conducted prior to initial enrollment, while in grade 6 and while in grade 10.* Grade 6 health assessments may be conducted anytime after the completion of grade 5 but prior to entering grade 7. Students who have not submitted proof of a health assessment to the school by the completion of the 6<sup>th</sup> grade will be provided a thirty (30) calendar day notice, in writing, prior to the effective date of school exclusion.

Grade 10 health assessments may be conducted anytime after the completion of grade 9 but prior to entering grade 11. Students who have not submitted proof of a health assessment to the school by the completion of the 10<sup>th</sup> grade will be provided a thirty (30) calendar day notice, in writing, prior to the effective date of school exclusion.

School health assessments are required by state law and represent a simple procedure that maintains the health of our students. The minimum health assessment includes a hematocrit or hemoglobin test, recordings of height, weight and blood pressure and gross dental, postural, vision and auditory screens. State law also provides an exemption from this requirement should a parent, guardian or student object on religious grounds.

## Immunization Schedule:

### PRESCHOOL

DTaP:	4 doses by 18 months
Polio:	3 doses by 18 months
MMR:	1 dose on or after 1s birthday
Hep B:	3 doses, last one on or after 24 weeks of age
Varicella:	1 dose on or after 1st birthday or verification of disease
Hib:	1 dose on or after 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday
Pneumococcal:	1 dose on or after 1s birthday
Influenza:	1 dose administered each year between August 1st -December 31st
	(2 doses separated by at least 28 days required for those receiving flu for the first time)
Hepatitis A:	2 doses given six calendar months apart, 1st dose on or after 1st birthday

### <u>KINDERGARTEN</u>

DTaP:	At least 4 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4 <sup>th</sup> birthday
Polio:	At least 3 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4 <sup>th</sup> birthday
MMR:	2 doses separated by at least 28 days, 1st dose on or after 1st birthday
Hep B:	3 doses, last dose on or after 24 weeks of age
Varicella:	2 doses separated by at least 3 months-1 <sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday; or verification of disease
Hib:	1 dose on or after 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday for children less than 5 years old
Pneumococcal Hepatitis A:	<ul> <li>1 dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday for children less than 5 years old</li> <li>2 doses given six calendar months apart, 1<sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday</li> </ul>

## <u>GRADE 1-2</u>

DTaP/Td:	At least 4 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4 <sup>∞</sup> birthday Students who start the series at age 7 or older only need a total of 3 doses.
Polio:	At least 3 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4 <sup>a</sup> birthday
MMR:	2 doses separated by at least 28 days, 1s dose on or after 1s birthday
Hep B:	3 doses, last dose on or after 24 weeks of age
Varicella:	2 doses separated by at least 3 months-1st dose on or after 1st birthday; or verification of disease
Hepatitis A:	2 doses given six calendar months apart, 1₌dose on or after 1₌birthday

# GRADES 3

DTaP /Td:	At least 4 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4 <sup>₅</sup> birthday. Students who start the series at age 7 or older only need a total of 3 doses.
Polio: MMR: Hep B: Varicella:	At least 3 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4 <sup>th</sup> birthday 2 doses separated by at least 28 days, 1 <sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday 3 doses, last dose on or after 24 weeks of age 2 doses separated by at least 3 months-1 <sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday; or verification of disease

## GRADES 4-6

DTaP/Td/Tdap	: At least 4 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4 <sup>th</sup> birthday. Students who start the series at age 7 or older only need a total of 3 doses.
Polio:	At least 3 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4 <sup>th</sup> birthday
MMR:	2 doses separated by at least 28 days, 1 <sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday
Hep B:	3 doses, last dose on or after 24 weeks of age
Varicella:	1 dose on or after the 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday; or verification of disease

### **GRADES 7-10**

Tdap/Td:	1 dose for students who have completed their primary DTaP series. Students who start the series at age 7 or older only need a total of 3 doses of tetanus-diphtheria containing vaccine, one of which must be Tdap
Polio:	At least 3 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4 <sup>th</sup> birthday
MMR:	2 doses separated by at least 28 days, 1 <sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday
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Hep B:	3 doses, last dose on or after 24 weeks of age
Varicella:	2 doses separated by at least 3 months- 1 <sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday; or verification of disease

### GRADE 11-12

Td/Tdap:	At least 3 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4 <sup>th</sup> birthday		
	Students who start the series at age 7 or older only need a total of 3		
	doses one of which should be Tdap.		
Polio:	At least 3 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4 <sup>th</sup> birthday		
MMR:	2 doses separated by at least 28 days, 1st dose on or after 1st birthday		
Hep B:	3 doses, last dose on or after 24 weeks of age		
Varicella:	2 doses given at least 4 weeks apart; 1 <sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday or verification of disease		

### **Important Reminders:**

- DTaP vaccine is not given on or after the 7<sup>th</sup> birthday and may be given for all doses in the primary series.
- Tdap can be given in lieu of Td vaccine for children 7 years and older unless contraindicated. Tdap is only licensed for one dose.
- Hib is not required for children 5 years of age or older.
- Pneumococcal is required for all Pre-K and K students born on or after 1/1/2007 and less than 5 years of age.
- Hepatitis A requirement for school year 2014-15 applies to all Pre-K, K, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students born on or after 1/1/2007.
- Hep B requirement for school year 2014-2015 applies to all students in grades K-12. Spacing intervals for a valid Hep B series: at least 4 weeks between doses 1 and 2; 8 weeks between doses 2 and 3; at least 16 weeks between doses 1 and 3; dose 3 should not be given before 24 weeks of age.
- Second MMR for school year 2014-2015 applies to all students in grades K-12.
- If two live virus vaccines (MMR, Varicella, MMRV, Intranasal Influenza) are not administered on the same day, they must be separated by at least 28 days (there is no 4 day grace period for live virus vaccines). If they are not separated by at least 28 days, the vaccine administered second must be repeated.
- Lab confirmation of immunity is **only** acceptable for Hep B, Hep A, Measles, Mumps, Rubella, and Varicella.
- VERIFICATION OF VARICELLA DISEASE: Confirmation in writing by a MD, PA, or APRN that the child has a previous history of disease, based on family or medical history.
- For the full legal requirements for school entry visit www.ct.gov/dph/cwp/view.asp?a=3136&Q=467374&PM=1

#### New Entrant Definition:

\*New entrants are any students who are new to the school district, including preschoolers and all students coming in from Connecticut private, parochial and charter schools located in the same or another community. **All students entering kindergarten**, including those repeating kindergarten, those moving from any public or private pre-school program, even in the same school district, **are considered new entrants**. The one exception is students returning from private approved special education placements – they are not considered new entrants.

Commonly Administered Vaccines:						
Vaccine:	Brand Name:	Vaccine:	Brand Name:			
DTaP-IPV-Hib	Pentacel	MMRV	ProQuad			
DTaP-HIB	TriHibit	PCV7	Prevnar			
HIB-Hep B	Comvax	PCV13	Prevnar 13			
DTaP-IPV-Hep B	Pediarix	DTaP-IPV	Kinrix			
Hepatitis A	Havrix, Vaqta	Influenza	Fluzone, FluMist, Fluviron, Fluarix, FluLaval			

Failure to comply with the immunization requirements will result in exclusion from school. Unlike health assessment requirements, there is no grace period with immunization requirements. However, exceptions and exemptions from the immunization requirements are provided within the state statutes and the Board's policy.

East Hampton students who intend to participate in interscholastic sports are reminded that they are required to obtain annually a sports physical examination before their first practice.

To be valid, the physical examination must have been completed within one year of the ending date of the sport and be on record in the health office of the school attended by the student.

Parents having questions concerning student health assessments and/or immunizations are asked to contact Peggy Puzzo, RN, Head Nurse at 860-365-4030 or the Director of Special Education & Pupil Personnel Services at 860-365-4009.