

# Health Requirements for KINDERGARTEN ENTRANCE

New York State Law requires a **yearly physical, immunizations and dental exam** on each child entering kindergarten. The physical must be signed, stamped, and dated by your child's pediatrician no later than **1year** from the start of school. Please forward all information to the Heights School's Health Office **no later than August 1, 2018.**

The following immunizations **are required** for entrance into kindergarten under  
*New York State Department of Health, Public Health Law, Section 2164:*

Immunization	Required Doses
DTap or DTP	5 doses 4 doses if the 4 <sup>th</sup> dose is given at 4 years of age or older 3 doses if series started at age 7 or older
Polio	4 doses 3 doses of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> dose given at 4 years of age or older
Measles/Mumps/Rubella (MMR)	2 doses
Hepatitis B	3 doses
Varicella (chicken pox)	2 dose

These are the **minimum** requirements by state law. Most children by the age of 5 years will have received a booster to some of the above mentioned immunizations.

**Please Note:** If your child's yearly physical is scheduled during the fall months, you can **NOT** wait until their **5yr** check-up to receive any missing required immunizations. ***All of these required immunizations can be received after 4 years of age.*** You must schedule an appointment prior to the start of school to receive that particular vaccine. The physical exam can wait until their usual appointment time, and I can accept the physical dated from the previous year.