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Dear Parents, Guardians and Caregivers:

This letter contains important information regarding health related issues for your child. It is essential that you take the appropriate action in a timely manner. **If either the Health Examination, Immunization Record or a valid medical or religious exemption has not been filed with the school health office prior to the opening of school, we will be unable to allow your child to attend until proof of compliance has been received.**

Should you have any questions, please contact the school nurse;

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<p>ALL NEW STUDENTS, (INCLUDING KINDERGARTEN AND PRE-K)</p>	<p>In accordance with State law, Board of Education policy requires that prior to the opening day of school all students transferring from other school districts and new kindergarten registrants show proof of having received a <u>physical examination</u> within the previous fifteen (15) months. The attached form should be completed by your doctor.</p> <p>The State requires an immunization record that must be satisfied in addition to the physical examination. Specifically, every student must be immunized against the following diseases either by vaccination or having had the illness, unless exemption is given on medical or religious grounds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus (DPT) x 4 (fourth dose on or after 4th birthday) • poliomyelitis x3 (one dose on or after 4th birthday) • measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) x2 doses (1st dose on or after 1st birthday) • Hepatitis B x 3 doses • Varicella x2 doses (1st dose on or after 1st birthday) or verification of disease • Hepatitis A x2 doses (1st dose on or after 1st birthday) for all PreK –grade 6 students born on or after 1/1/2007
<p>All Kindergarten and Students Who Are Younger Than Five Years of Age</p>	<p>Children entering school at less than 5 years of age (before their 5th birthday on the day of school entry) must have received at least 1 (one) dose of Hemophilus Influenza Type B (HIB) and 1 (one) dose of Pneumococcal Conjugate vaccine on or after their 1st birthday. All Kindergarten students must have completed the following before they will be permitted to enter kindergarten. Moreover their registration will be considered incomplete and they will <u>not</u> be assigned to a teacher.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a three (3) dose series of Hepatitis B • fourth dose of DPT on or after 4th birthday • two (2) doses of measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) separated by at least 28 days (1st dose on or after 1st birthday) • three doses of Polio with one dose given on or after 4th birthday • Two (2) doses of Varicella separated by at least 3 months (1st dose on or after 1st birthday) or proof shown of immunity to Varicella • Two doses of Hepatitis A given 6 months apart (1st dose on or after 1st birthday) born on or after 1/1/2007

Students entering Seventh – Twelfth Grade in 2018	<p>Students will not be allowed to enter seventh - twelfth grades in September 2018 if they have not complied with the following State requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tdap x1 dose (except for students who have received TD within the past 5 years AND written medical exemption statement from physician, APRN or PA) • Meningococcal x1 dose • Varicella x2 doses separated by at least 3 months (1st dose on or after 1st birthday) or proof of immunity to varicella <p>Physical examinations are required of all continuing students and must be completed <u>within fifteen months prior to entering grade seven</u>. Under this law, all students are required to have these health examinations except those with valid religious objections. Students will not be allowed to enter seventh grade in September 2018 if they have not complied with this State requirement.</p>
Students entering Tenth Grade in 2018	<p>Physical examinations are required of all continuing students and must be completed <u>within fifteen months prior to entering grade ten</u>. Under this law, all students are required to have these health examinations except those with valid religious objections. Students will not be allowed to enter tenth grade in September 2018 if they have not complied with this State requirement.</p>
Interscholastic Athletics	<p>All students participating in high school interscholastic athletics are required to have a current physical on file in the Health Office on the Connecticut Health Assessment Record (HAR-3) form. The physical must be completed within the last thirteen months prior to the first try-out or day of practice. Students will not be allowed to practice or play unless they have a completed and timely physical examination by a legally qualified practitioner of medicine on file in the Health Office. The Connecticut Health Assessment Record (HAR-3) form can be obtained at Wilton High School, or you can download the form on the Wilton High School Website. To protect the student's confidentiality, the Health Assessment form is to be <u>brought to the Health Office ONLY! Do not bring the physical form to the Athletic Office or to any coach.</u> The Health Office will promptly log only the physical date into a database for review by the Department of Athletics. Please refer to the WHS website for further information regarding physicals and athletics.</p>

EARLY NOTIFICATION:

<i>Sixth and Ninth Grade Students in 2018-2019</i>	<p><i>Physical examinations are required of all continuing students and must be completed during the year your child is enrolled in grades 6 and 9. Under this law, all students are required to have these health examinations except those with valid religious objections. For students who will be enrolled in grade 6 or grade 9 in the 2018-2019 school year, a valid physical must be given between June, 2018 and the start of school 2019 and the completed form returned promptly to the health office located at Middlebrook School for sixth graders and to the high school for ninth graders. Students will not be allowed to enter seventh and tenth grade respectively in the fall of 2019 if they have not complied with this State requirement.</i></p>
<i>New Immunization Requirements Effective for the 2018-2019 School Year</i>	<p><i>Effective January 1, 2012 and each January 1 thereafter, all PreK children aged 24-59 months are required to receive at least one dose of influenza vaccine between August 1 and December 31 of the preceding year. Two doses separated by at least 28 days are required for those children receiving influenza vaccine for the 1st time. In addition, two doses of hepatitis A vaccine given at least 6 months apart (1st dose on or after 1st birthday) will be required for all PreK-6 students born on or after 1/1/2007 in the 2018 -2019 school year.</i></p>

Sincerely,



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