


H. Health Examination

1. No student will be admitted to school without presenting tangible documentation that health requirements have been met.
2. The Florida School Health Services Plan provides that a health examination shall be administered within 12 months prior to initial entry into a Florida school.

Parents/legal guardians of all students (PK-12) must present tangible evidence of a health examination complete with Tuberculosis Clinical Screening and follow-up on the appropriate **DH Form (3040)** prior to initial entrance into a Miami-Dade County Public School. The health examination must have been performed within the past 12 months.

I. Immunization

1. NO STUDENT WILL BE ADMITTED TO SCHOOL WITHOUT PRESENTING TANGIBLE DOCUMENTATION SHOWING THAT IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS HAVE BEEN MET.
2. The Florida School Health Services Plan and Florida Statutes require prior to a child's entry into school that each child entitled to initial entrance into a Florida public school present and have on file a Florida Certification of Immunization, **DH Form 680**, from a health care provider.
3. Students entering, attending, or transferring into Pre-Kindergarten, kindergarten, first, second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, and seventh grade in Florida will be required to have proof of the Varicella disease (chicken pox) Varivax Vaccine. In each subsequent year thereafter, the next highest grades are included. Varicella vaccine is not required if a child has a documented history of Varicella disease.
-  4. Beginning with the 2008-2009 school year, children entering kindergarten will be required to receive two doses of varicella vaccine. Each subsequent year thereafter, the next highest grade will be included in the requirement.
5. Students entering, attending, or transferring into Pre-Kindergarten through twelfth (PK-12) grade in Florida will be required to show proof of the Hepatitis B (HBV) series. Students may enroll in/attend school if they have received the first of three doses of the Hepatitis B Vaccine.

6. Students entering, attending, or enrolling in Kindergarten through twelfth (K-12) grade must provide documentation of two measles immunizations, preferably in the form of measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR).
7. Students entering, attending, or enrolling in seventh through twelfth (7-12) grade must provide documentation of Tetanus Diphtheria (TD) booster administered within the past five years. Any student who has received a TD vaccine within the past five years will not be required to have the TD booster.
8. Students will be given a Temporary Medical Exemption, on a Florida Certificate of Immunization, **DH Form 680 PART B**, until the vaccines are completed. Students will be excluded from school attendance if additional certification is not presented on, or before the expiration date noted on the Temporary Certificate.
9. Students exempt from immunizations for medical reasons must provide an original Permanent Medical Exemption, on a Florida Certificate of Immunization, **DH Form 680**, PART C.
10. Students exempt from immunizations for religious reasons must provide an original RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION FROM IMMUNIZATION, on a Florida Certificate of Immunization, **DH Form 681**.
11. The principal is responsible for monitoring the status of students admitted with a Temporary Medical Exemption. Two weeks prior to the expiration date, letters should be sent to parents/guardians alerting them to impending exclusion.

J. Cumulative School Health Record

The CUMULATIVE SCHOOL HEALTH RECORD, **DH Form 3041**, maintains the records for the health examination, immunizations, and TB Clinical Screening. These records should be placed in the front of the cumulative record folder, directly behind the front cover. This form is available from the Comprehensive Health Services office at 305-995-1235.

K. Procedures for Registering Foreign-Born Students

Foreign-born students, including permanent residents, will follow the same procedures indicated for the native-born students.

L. Distribution of Student Accident Insurance Literature

Give every student a Student Accident brochure to take home on the first day of school. Spanish translation has been provided in the packages sent to your school before school opened. Remaining brochures should be distributed to late and newly enrolling students during the year.

Put a notice into your student handbook about the value of purchasing the insurance for each child. The notice could read as follows:

Parents, your child's health and well being are important to us. You can buy Student Accident insurance to provide coverage in the event your child is injured at school or on a field trip and needs immediate first aid, ambulance, emergency room, or doctor's attention. The cost is reflected in the accident insurance literature. We have sent an envelope and application for this coverage home with your child. Please attend to this important matter as soon as possible.

M. Distribution of Student Health, Dental, and Vision Insurance Literature

The Board arranged for comprehensive, low cost health, dental, and vision insurance programs to be made available to M-DCPS students and their siblings. Promotional information should be distributed to all students at the beginning of the school year and throughout the entire year.

Enrollment and premium collection will be processed directly between the family and the selected vendor. As this initiative taken by the Board is of great benefit to students, it is important to make sure promotional materials are distributed to all students.

N. Distribution of Free and Reduced Price Meal Applications

During the week of August 11, 2008, the Department of Food and Nutrition will distribute the 2008-2009 applications to each school in three languages (English, Spanish, and Haitian/Creole).

Every child must be given a 2008-2009 meal application at the time of registration for free or reduced price meals.

If additional applications are needed, contact the Department of Food & Nutrition at 786-275-0400 and select Option 1 for the FAST Center.

Food Cost - Lunch	
Students	\$2.25 (Elementary) \$2.50 (Secondary)
Reduced Price, Students	\$0.40
Adults	\$3.00