

School Health Requirements, School Year 2015-2016

Please turn in the following forms to the **Registrar** at your child's school when you enroll your child. DC law requires that all students be current on immunizations to attend school. DC law also requires Universal Health Certificates and Oral Health Assessments for children enrolling in all grades.

Form	Description	Required	Notes
Universal Health Certificate	Two-page form, and two-page instructions for your medical provider	Students enrolling in all grades (PK3-12 th).	<p>Have your child's physician or nurse practitioner complete the Universal Health Certificate.</p> <p>The Universal Health Certificate must document immunizations, tuberculosis assessment and physical completed within 365 days before the start of school. Every child less than six years of age must be tested twice for blood lead poisoning. Testing must be completed, regardless of exposure risk, and documented on Universal Health Certificate.</p> <p>If your child participates in athletics, the certificate will expire 365 days from the date of the exam listed on the form. To remain eligible for athletics, an updated Universal Health Certificate must be submitted to the school when a new physical occurs.</p> <p>(Need health insurance? You may qualify for Medicaid or subsidized health insurance. Visit https://dchealthlink.com for more information. Need help finding a doctor? Contact your health plan's Member Services at the number printed on the back of your health insurance card.)</p>
Immunization Documentation	Age-appropriate immunizations must be documented on the Universal Health Certificate. A one-page flier of required immunizations is included.	Students enrolling in all grades (PK3 – 12 th). After 10 days of school, students who have not submitted their immunizations will be excluded from classes and supervised separately.	<p>Please schedule a visit with your child's physician soon if your child's immunizations are not up to date. Some immunizations require more than one dose with return visits.</p> <p>If you have questions about DC's immunization requirements, please discuss them with your child's physician. You can also contact the DC Department of Health Immunization Division at 202-576-9325.</p>
Oral Health Assessment Form	One page	Students enrolling in all grades (PK3-12 th).	<p>Have your child's dentist complete this form.</p> <p>(Need dental insurance? You may qualify for Medicaid or subsidized health insurance. Visit https://dchealthlink.com for more information.)</p> <p>(Have Medicaid, but need help finding a dental provider or making an appointment? Call 1-866-758-6807 or visit http://www.insurekidsnow.gov/state/dc/district_oral.html)</p>
Medication Orders	<p>There are required forms in order for the school to meet your child's medication or medical intervention needs.</p> <p>You can get these forms from your school nurse or online at: www.dcps.dc.gov</p>	Students who need medication or medical intervention during the school day for asthma, allergies, diabetes, seizures, or other medical conditions. If this applies to your child, please speak with your principal and nurse about your child's physical health or behavioral health condition and intervention requirements	<p>To ensure that your child's medication needs are met while at school, please refer to <i>Meeting Your Child's Medication and Treatment Needs at School</i>, for detailed information. This can be found at http://tinyurl.com/qhjbhms.</p> <p>Whenever possible, administer medications at home. If your child needs to take medication or requires medical treatment during school hours, please have your medical provider complete the appropriate forms – there's the Medication and Treatment Authorization Form, the Asthma Action Plan and the Action Plan for Anaphylaxis. These forms are available on the DCPS website at http://tinyurl.com/qzjsu6t and from your school's nurse. If you have any questions about which form is needed for your child, please speak with your school's nurse. Students allowed to self-administer medications for asthma, anaphylaxis, or diabetes while at school must also have a medication action plan signed by the student's parent or guardian, and physician.</p> <p>If your child needs a dietary accommodation, your provider should also complete the Special Dietary Needs Form. This form is available on the DCPS website at http://tinyurl.com/o86b53t.</p>

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