

## **FAQs about Health Requirements and Concerns**

### **What medical forms are required?**

Your child will not be allowed to attend school until you provide the following required health records to the New Haven Health Department:

#### **1. Physical Examination Requirement**

An up-to-date physical exam dated within one year of the student's entry in September must be entered on a blue State of Connecticut Health Assessment form. This is the blue form in orientation packet and can be found online through Back-to-School Central.

#### **2. Immunization Requirements**

Students shall be adequately immunized with written proof of month, day and year required for all immunizations.

Completed health forms must be dropped off before August 24 at:

New Haven Health Department Clinic, 54 Meadow Street, 1st Floor, New Haven, 06519

The clinic is open Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

### **What do I do if my child is sick during the school year?**

When your child is sick, please call the main office of his or her school to report the absence. Upon return, send a note explaining the absence.

### **What shots and immunizations are required? How does my child get them?**

Required shots and immunizations are listed on the blue Health Assessment Form in your orientation packet that you can also print online through Back-to-School Central. Call the City's Health Department at **(203) 946-6999** for more information.

### **What is Husky Health and how do I qualify?**

This is an insurance plan run by the State of Connecticut. Their office is on the first floor of the Gateway Center, 54 Meadow Street, where the district's offices are located, or call (203) 946-8187 for more information.

### **How does the free and reduced lunch program work?**

All New Haven students are eligible for free or reduced-price meals and free milk. Application forms are sent to all homes with a letter to parents. All households must fill out the application and return it to the school for each child. Additional applications are available in the main office of each school. All schools serve breakfast and lunch.

### **Can my child bring lunch to school?**

Yes, children may bring their own lunch, but no peanut butter is allowed due to common severe food allergies.

### **What if my child has food allergies or dietary restrictions?**

Dietary restrictions as well as allergies should be explained to the principal, teacher, nurse and cafeteria.