

Health Requirements

Medication

All students requiring medication during the school day must have an updated medication order from their health care provider. This applies to over the counter and prescribed medication. Medication orders must be renewed yearly. These forms are available on the district website. www.sherrard.us select **departments, health services, health forms**.

Birth Certificate

All **kindergarteners** and all **students new to the district** must provide an "Official" Birth Certificate. (From Court House of county where born)

Physicals

All students entering **kindergarten, sixth grade, ninth grade, and entering an Illinois School for the first time** are required to have a physical on the **current** Illinois Department of Public Health Form and signed by a physician licensed to practice medicine, a physician's assistant, or an advanced practice nurse. **Chiropractors may not complete student school or sports physicals per Illinois School Code.** The current form is available on the district web site, www.sherrard.us select **departments, health services, and health forms**. All physicals must be dated on or after **August 4, 2023**. The health history on the back of the physical must be signed dated and completed by parents/guardians. **Sports physicals DO NOT** meet the school physical requirement. School physicals are valid for 395 days as a sports physical.

Vaccines/Immunizations

Kindergarten-fifth grade

All students entering kindergarten-5th grade must show proof of having the following immunizations:

DPaT/DTP -4 doses (last one after age 4)

Polio- 4 doses (last one after age 4)

MMR-2 doses

Varicella -2 doses or verification of having Chicken Pox

Sixth Grade

In addition to previous required immunizations, any child entering the **sixth grade** shall show proof of having received one dose of the **meningitis vaccine on or after age 11**. In addition to the **meningitis vaccine**, all students entering 6th grade must show proof of having received the **Tdap vaccine**, and **three Hepatitis B vaccines**.

Ninth Grade

All students entering ninth grade for the first time shall show proof of having all previous required vaccines.

Twelfth Grade

In addition to previous required immunizations, all students entering the **12th grade** shall show proof of having received two doses of the **meningitis vaccine** prior to entering the **12th grade**. The first dose shall have been administered **on or after the 11th birthday**, and the second dose shall have been administered **on or after the 16th birthday**. If the first dose is administered, when the child is 16 years of age or older, only one dose is required.

Vision Exams

All students attending an Illinois school for the first time, including **all kindergarten** students must have a current vision examination performed by an Optometrist or Physician who provides Eye Examinations. Vision exams must be provided to the school by October 15 of each school year.

Dental Exams

All students in **kindergarten, second, sixth, and ninth grade** must have a current dental exam, completed by **May 15** of the current school year. Dental exams must be completed after **November 15, 2023**.

Student forms

Physical forms, medication order forms, dental and vision exam forms are available on the school district web site www.sherrard.us, go to **Departments**, select **Health Services, Health Forms** and then select the desired form(s).

Students not in compliance with physical and immunization requirements will be excluded from school per state requirements. New students have thirty days to complete health requirements. Please provide completed physicals by the first day of school. Students not in compliance by October 15, 2024 will be excluded from school until requirements are met.