**

 ST. BRIDGET SCHOOL

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*“Fostering academic excellence, community awareness and spiritual growth.”*

Dear Incoming Kindergarten St. Bridget School Families,

It is time for us to prepare ourselves for the start of the 2024 – 2025 school year.

In preparation, the following is required:

**KINDERGARTEN PHYSICAL EXAMINATION AND IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS**  Connecticut State Law 10-206 requires a current physical examination and updated immunizations for Kindergarten entry. Requirements for updated immunizations are listed below. The State of Connecticut Health Assessment Record Form must be completed and returned/mailed to the Health Office prior to **August 14, 2024** and must be valid (within the past 12 months) as of the first day of school. **There is no grace period for any student not in compliance with physical examinations and immunizations**. **Students will not be permitted to attend school until all immunizations and physical examinations requirements are met.**

Medical Exemption forms can be found on the school website if needed, as well as Health (Physical) Assessment Record forms.

**Immunizations for Kindergarten entry required by CT State Law 10-206 are:**

Hep B: 3 doses, last dose on or after 24 weeks of age

DTaP At least 4 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4th birthday

Polio: At least 3 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4th birthday

MMR: 2 doses separated by at least 28 days, 1st dose on or after 1st birthday

Varicella: 2 doses separated by at least 3 months-1 st dose on or after 1st birthday;

or verification of disease. 28 days between doses is acceptable if the doses have already been administered.

 Hepatitis A: 2 doses given six calendar months apart, 1st dose on or after 1st birthday

 Hib: 1 dose on or after 1st birthday for children less than 5 years old

 Pneumococcal: 1 dose on or after 1st birthday for children less than 5 years old

Please ensure that all parent sections of the form(s) are completed and signed prior to returning the form(s) to school by August 14, 2024.

I appreciate and thank you in advance for your compliance to the above requirements. Please feel free to contact me with any questions at Nurse@StBidgetSchool.org.

Have a wonderful and safe summer!

Thank you and Stay well,

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