

*Hampton Elementary School*

## NEWS FROM THE HEALTH ROOM

Dear PK Parents/Guardians,

### **Flu Reminder**

This letter comes to remind parents of preschool children that flu vaccine is required as part of the State of Connecticut immunization policy. Below I have included the list of preschool immunizations for preschool students. Most children have already received these required vaccinations, but some will need to catch up on flu immunization. **The influenza vaccine is required for all preschool students and must be administered between August 1 and December 31.** Many students have already received the flu vaccine along with an updated immunization record showing the date of flu vaccine. Children must be immunized by December 31.

Please contact your child's doctor to set up any necessary flu and/or catch up immunizations. Appointments are necessary as soon as possible since appointments often must be scheduled weeks in advance. Please provide a note with the date of any upcoming immunization appointments so that they may be added to your child's health file.

### **STATE OF CONNECTICUT**

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

#### **IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ENROLLED STUDENTS IN CONNECTICUT SCHOOLS**

**PRESCHOOL** -- Children entering between 24-59 months

DTaP: 4 doses

Polio: 3 doses

MMR: 1 dose on or after the 1st birthday

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

Varicella: 1 dose on or after the 1st birthday or verification of disease

Hib: 1 dose on or after the 1st birthday

Pneumococcal: 1 dose on or after the 1st birthday

**Influenza: 1 dose administered each year between August 1-December 31st**

**(2 doses separated by at least 28 days required for those receiving flu for the first time)**

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

Please call the health room or email me with any questions or concerns. Thank you for your efforts in keeping kids safe and healthy!

Sincerely,

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