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To: Elementary School Administrators/Principals
School Secretaries

From: Patty Morris, RN
Director Health Services

Subject: **Transitional Kindergarten and Kindergarten Registration Packets**

All parents registering transitional and kindergarten students should be given the attached packet so that they may enroll their child for the 2022/23 school year with all the required immunizations and examinations. Please make a photocopy of each child’s immunization record when they enroll. See packet for required immunizations. Remind parents that most children require immunizations at 4-5 years of age. Ask them to bring in any updated immunization information. Before being allowed to enter school, the California State Immunization Law mandates that children have all the required immunizations or a medical exemption. Starting January 1, 2021, all new medical exemptions for school entry must be issued through CAIR-ME. Parents and physicians can register and create an account in CAIR-ME at any time. Once registered, parents can log in to CAIR-ME to request a medical exemption. Parents take the exemption request number to their child’s physician who can log in to CAIR-ME to issue the exemption. Once the exemption is issued, the physician prints the two-page form and provides a copy to the parents to give to their child’s school or child care facility.

The oral health exams continue to be required for kindergarten or first grade students who are entering the school system for the first time. We have two forms in the packet: 1) The required notification letter to be adapted by your school and signed by the Superintendent, 2) The one-page Oral Health Assessment/Waiver Request Form for the parent and dental professional to complete.

Use the attached white packet as a master to make additional copies. **Please discard any previous kindergarten packets as some of the forms may have changed.** This packet is also available on our website under “Health Services”.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 842-8425.

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Attachments

c: Kermith R. Walters
Health Services File