

## NEW REQUIREMENTS IN HEALTH EXAMINATIONS

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Dear Parents/Guardians and Health Care Providers:

This letter is to inform you of two important changes in Education Law effective 7/1/2018. **Beginning 7/1/2018 all New York State public school students must have a health exam when they enter school as a new entrant and in Pre-K or Kindergarten and grades 1,3,5,7,9, and 11. These exams must be completed on the approved NYSED Student Health Examination Form for Schools for the health exam.**

We understand that your medical provider's office may not yet be aware of the change, so if you have already had a physical examination completed for the 2018-2019 school year on a different form, the school may accept the physical on that form.

The approved NYSED Student Health Examination Form for Schools will be available this spring on the New York State Center for School Health (NYSCSH) website at [www.schoolhealthny.com](http://www.schoolhealthny.com) on the Samples/Forms/Notifications page.

In 2019-2020 ONLY the approved form will be accepted. We realize many offices use electronic health records to document student health data. We encourage you to work with your EHR vendor to incorporate the approved form prior to 2019.

We appreciate your time in collaborating with us to provide your child/patient and our student with the required documentation as required by law. Please direct any questions to the nurse's office at the child's school.

Sincerely,

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Student Services Director