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Dear Parents and Guardians of Incoming Transitional Kindergarten, Kindergarten and First Grade Students:

The beginning of kindergarten and first grade are very important milestones in your child's life. We all share in the excitement, enthusiasm, and even a little anxiety that accompanies the beginning of school. Good health is a vital component in the quest for school success.

IMMUNIZATIONS

The California School Immunization Law requires that children be up-to-date on their immunizations to attend school. Per 2016 legislation (SB277), all students entering Transitional Kindergarten or Kindergarten must provide proof of immunization or a medical exemption when registering, and prior to attending school. **Beginning January 1, 2021, doctors will use an electronic form available through the California Immunization Registry (CAIR). CAIR is a secure computer system that is already used across California that stores children's immunization (shot) records. The doctor can send the form to the child's parent or school, or the school can access the form through CAIR directly. Schools can only except medical exemptions on the CAIR form. Only a California licensed Medical Doctor (MD) or Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (DO) may provide a medical exemption indicating the specific immunization, and, if a temporary exemption, the date the vaccine will be administered. For students entering school on or after July 1, 2019, temporary exemptions are limited to one year from the date of the physician's note.**

Vaccine	4-6 Years Old Elementary School at Transitional-Kindergarten/ Kindergarten and Above
Polio (OPV or IPV)	4 doses (3 doses OK if one was given on or after 4th birthday)
Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Pertussis (DTaP, DTP, DT, or Tdap)	5 doses of DTaP, DTP, or DT (4 doses OK if one was given on or after 4th birthday)
Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (MMR or MMR-V)	2 doses (Both doses given on or after 1st birthday. Only one dose of mumps and rubella vaccines are required if given separately.)
Hepatitis B (Hep B or HBV)	3 doses
Varicella (chickenpox, VAR, MMR-V or VZV)	2 doses (new requirement as of July 1, 2019)

HEALTH EXAMINATION FOR SCHOOL ENTRY

The State of California supports proactive steps toward a healthy start for its school children by requiring students to receive a *Health Examination for School Entry* by first grade. Capistrano Unified School District recommends this examination prior to entering kindergarten and first grade. A health screening completed on or after February 17, 2021, will qualify children for school entrance on August 17, 2021.

Attached is a copy of the "Health Examination for School Entry" form. Please take the form with you to your health care provider and return it to school when completed. If you have concerns about your child's health examination, please contact the health assistant or licensed vocational nurse at your school.

If you have any questions about these requirements, please do not hesitate to contact your school principal, the licensed vocational nurse, or the health assistant at your school. You may also visit <http://www.shotsforschool.org> for detailed immunization information. We wish you and your child well and look forward to a long and satisfying relationship with your family.

Sincerely,

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