

Cape Ann Waldorf School
July, 2011

Immunization Records

Documentation of immunization status is required for the following children:

1. All new students
2. Each year of enrollment in Nursery or Kindergarten
3. First grade
4. Sixth grade
5. Middle-schoolers who wish to participate in extracurricular sports

State law requires all schools in Massachusetts to submit periodic reports on the immunization status of enrolled children. This means that parents of each child entering one of the classes listed above, must submit documentation for each of the required vaccines.

For each required vaccine which has been administered to your child, we must have the month and year the immunization was given. Your health care provider must sign the form used.

For vaccines not administered, the school must have one of the following:

1. A note from your health care provider stating that your child has had the disease
2. A letter from your health care provider stating that the immunization is medically contraindicated
3. A note from you, the child's parent, that immunizations are contrary to your religious beliefs

If you wish to take the religious exception, CAWS has a form that can be requested from the office.

Immunization records are due each year by July 1. If we have not received this documentation on a timely basis, we may be obliged to send the child home after the school year has begun.

Physical Examination Records

Physical examination records are required of:

1. All students **new** to the school
2. Students entering first grade
3. Students entering sixth grade
4. Students who will participate in **extracurricular sports** activities.

For new students, first graders and sixth graders, physical examination records are due July 1. Any child without proper documentation may be requested to not attend school until the documentation is submitted.

For those wishing to participate in extracurricular sports, physical examination records must be received in the office prior to the commencement of practices.

The physical examination record must be from a physical performed by your healthcare provider within twelve months of the start of the school year.