



Lessons



Family Friendly Schools

No shots — no school: Immunizations are law



Students who are not up to date with the state mandated immunizations will not be able to start school in the Fall 2005. Parents should ensure that all shots are taken care of now ... well before the start of school.

“While we do not want any child to miss school,”

says District Health Services Director Shirley Schreiber, “it is imperative that parents fulfill their responsibility and get their children immunized. It is the law.” She adds, “You should do that now and avoid the long lines at doctor’s offices and the city health department.”

Required shots include:

DTP/DTaP/DT/Td

Five doses required for entry kindergarten students unless the fourth dose was received after the 4th birthday. Students age seven, starting their vaccine, are required to have three doses. TD: booster every 10 years.

Polio

Four doses of IPV required for kindergarten students unless the third dose was received after 4th birthday. It can be any combination of OPV or IPV. Not required of 18-year-old students.

Measles

Two doses of measles vaccine are required. First dose shall be administered on or after the first birthday. Second dose by age 5 or entry into kindergarten. Physician confirmation of illness is not

acceptable, only a serological (blood test) confirmation.

Rubella

One dose of vaccine on or after the first birthday or serological (blood work) confirmation of rubella immunity.

Mumps

One dose of vaccine on or after the 1st birthday. Vaccine required for all students through 18 years of age.

HIB

Three doses of Haemophiles Influenza type B vaccine and a booster if given before child is 15 months or one dose of vaccine if given after 15 months. Vaccine given through 4 years of age.

Hepatitis Type A

Two doses of Hepatitis A required for Pre-kindergarten through third grade. Second dose is required six months

after the administration of the first dose.

Hepatitis Type B

Three doses required for the following grades: 2004-2005 Kindergarten through fifth grade; seven through tenth grade. 2005-2006 Kindergarten through 11th grade.

Varicella (Chicken Pox)

One dose of Varicella vaccine received on or after the first birthday is required for the following grades: 2004-2005 kindergarten through fourth grade; seventh through tenth grade. Two doses required if the student was thirteen years old at the time the first dose of Varicella was received. If the student has had Varicella (Chicken Pox) illness, please request form from the school nurse to validate illness. 2005-2006: Kinder through 5th grade and 7th through 11th grade.

Avoid the long-line crush: Register now for school next year

New-to-Northside high school students and their families should call now to make an appointment to register for classes for next school year and avoid long lines. Northside, as the “Destination District” in San Antonio, is again expecting a record breaking enrollment increase next year.

“Because it takes up to an hour per student to review documents and transcripts, make course selections, and make other decisions, the wait to see a counselor to get registered for school could potentially take all day if you wait until mid-August to stop by the school,” says Don Schmidt, Asst. Superintendent for Student Services.

Families new to Northside should check the Buses and Boundaries link on the NISD website (www.nisd.net) to determine which school their new home address is assigned to and then call that school to set up an appointment. You must have immunization and identification documents, address verification, social security cards, and sending school transcripts/records/report cards.

Students who are currently enrolled in any Northside school are already pre-registered for the Fall.

Counselors are not available June 23–July 25.

Simply amazing student work: DigiAwards

Northside students wowed audiences with their electronic creations and projects at the Third Annual NISD Digital Media Fair. “I am always so proud of the high quality and creative work that our students do,” says Kelly Smith, Assistant Superintendent for Technology Services.

Of the 1,100 student entries, 240 were recently showcased at the “DigiAwards” Ceremony. For more information and to view the winners: <http://www.nisd.net/cmptecwww/mediafair>.

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