

Small Wonder Program | Community Health Policy

All health forms and medical notes must be submitted to Susan Guthart, Healthcare Provider, in person, by fax (646-514-5143), or by email (sguthart@dwight.edu). Families will be emailed a link to the required Child & Adolescent Health Examination Form (CH-205), which must be submitted prior to the first day of class.

MEDICAL HEALTH (CH-205) FORM

All forms must be completed to comply with the Small Wonder program policy. Children who have not been immunized will be issued exclusion letters and will not be able to attend Small Wonder until they comply with the requirements.

A child's immunization history must include all of the following vaccines to be considered fully immunized. Their immunization record should be evaluated according to the class they are enrolled in for the current year.

DAY CARE/PREKINDERGARTEN IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

IMMUNIZATION	# OF DOSES	COMMENTS
DTaP (Diphtheria, Tetanus toxoid-containing vaccine and Pertussis vaccine)	4	Minimum age: 6 weeks
Hepatitis B vaccine	3	Dose 1 may be given at birth or anytime thereafter. Dose 2 must be given at least four weeks after dose 1. Dose 3 must be at least eight weeks after dose 2 AND at least 16 weeks after dose 1.
Polio Vaccine (IPV/OPV)	3	Minimum age: 6 weeks
Pneumococcal Conjugate vaccine (PCV)	1 to 4	Minimum age: 6 weeks
Haemophilus influenzae type b conjugate vaccine (HIB)	1 to 4	Minimum age: 6 weeks
Measles, Mumps and Rubella vaccine (MMR)	1	Minimum age: 12 months
Varicella (Chickenpox) vaccine	1	Minimum age: 12 months

IMMUNIZATION EXEMPTIONS:

Section 2164 of the Public Health Law permits the following two exemptions to this



immunization requirement:

1. If the parent objects to the immunization because the parent holds genuine and sincere religious beliefs which are contrary to the requirement that the child be immunized; or □
2. If a New York State licensed physician certifies that such immunization may be detrimental to the child's health.

ATTENDING SCHOOL AFTER BEING SICK

In order to keep our school and students healthy, students who have been sick cannot attend school until they are no longer contagious. They are required to abide by the 24-hour rule and/or submit a medical clearance note.

THE 24 HOUR RULE Students are required to stay home from school if he/she has:

- Fever - (100 degrees or higher) □ If your child had a fever during the night or in the morning, please do not administer fever reducing medication and send the child to school.
- Diarrhea □
- Vomiting
- Contagious Infections requiring prescriptive medications - (i.e. Strep Throat, Pink Eye/Conjunctivitis, Impetigo, etc.)

REPORTING COMMUNICABLE DISEASE

Parents are required to notify the Dwight Healthcare Provider **immediately** if your child has contracted a communicable disease.

The following are examples of communicable diseases:

Strep throat/Scarlet fever; Influenza (Flu); Mononucleosis; Pink Eye/Conjunctivitis; Impetigo; Hand, Foot and Mouth disease; Staph skin infections; Ringworm; Pinworms; Fifth Disease; Molluscum Contagiosum; Head Lice; Nits; Vaccine preventable illnesses; Meningitis; Positive TB test; or other communicable diseases or conditions, which may be a danger to the health of other children and staff.

A doctor's note is required regardless of the number of absent days for students who are absent/sick with a communicable disease.

NUT PRODUCTS AND FOOD ALLERGIES

Small Wonder strives to be a nut free campus. At this time, for the protection of our children with severe nut allergies, we consider ourselves a “nut aware” campus: we make

every effort to eliminate peanut, tree nut (walnut, pecan), and any nut based products and to raise awareness about food allergies.

In order to support our nut aware campus, we ask parents/guardians/caregivers/staff to:

- Refrain from bringing in peanut, tree nut, or other nut based foods to Small Wonder as birthday treats or snacks. □
- Thoroughly wash hands before entering the Small Wonder building if you have recently eaten peanut, tree nut, or other nut based foods.
- Work closely and cooperatively with our Healthcare Provider, and classroom teachers to ensure a safe environment for your child at Small Wonder. It is essential that families of children with food allergies keep Small Wonder informed every year of your child's allergies and of any changes that may occur during the school year. □
- Encourage their children to not share foods/utensils, and to practice thorough hand washing. □

Our Healthcare Provider creates and implements protocols for response if severe allergic reaction occurs. Because so many people enter our building each day, there is no way we can ensure that our campus is completely nut free. We appreciate the efforts of each member of our community to protect the health of all of our children. □

Small Wonder faculty and staff have all been certified in First Aid, CPR and AED. □