

Strawberry Preschool Families,

There are new State Licensing Rules, Signed by Governor Brown, requiring everyone who volunteers or works in the classroom to have the following 3 vaccines:

1. MMR (Measles, Mumps and Rubella)
2. Pertussis (Whooping Cough)
3. Influenza Vaccine

Who needs these vaccinations?

1. Field trip driver volunteers
2. Volunteers in the classroom
3. Classroom aids
4. Teachers

Who does not need these vaccinations?

1. Parents dropping off or picking up their child from school
2. Specialists
3. People dropping off food at school (you do need it if you want to cook with the children at school)
4. People observing in the classroom
5. People attending our social events: Halloween Party, Thanksgiving Feasts, Graduation Ceremony, End of the Year Picnic, Etc.

The New Rules:

- A person is exempt from the requirements of this section only under any of the following circumstances
 - The person submits a written statement from a licensed physician declaring that because of the person's physical condition or medical circumstances, immunization is not safe.
 - The person submits a written statement by a licensed physician proving that the person has evidence of current immunity to the disease described in subdivision.
 - The person submits a written declaration that he or she has declined the influenza vaccination. ***This exemption applies only to the influenza vaccine.***
 - To prove you are immune to measles, there is a blood test to show you already had the shot or are immune to it. Ask your doctor for more information.

Once you are able to provide proof of the vaccinations, I will keep them at school. You WILL NOT need to re-submit them each year, or when a younger sibling starts.

Here is a county website with more information:

<https://www.shotsforschool.org/child-care/requirements-for-employees-and-volunteers-at-day-care-centers/>