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Dear Parent or Guardian of a Student in the EMT Program:

The students in the health career programs will participate in a **required clinical rotation** at an in-patient health care facility during the 2022/23 school year. Students are expected to complete 108 hours of work-based learning throughout their program. These experiences will provide students opportunities to practice their skills and expose them to real-life experiences working in their field. The health care facilities require a complete physical exam, COVID-19 vaccination, and booster for a student to attend the clinic.

Therefore, **under no circumstances will a student participate in the clinical rotation without a completed health physical, proof of the COVID-19 vaccination, and booster on file that was done within the year prior to the start of clinic.** Additionally, students who do not submit a complete physical, proof of the COVID-19 vaccination and booster **will not be able to meet the requirements of the EMT program and will be required to withdraw.**

If you do not have a private physician, our school nurse at (516) 604-4218 will provide you with a list of clinics. Appointments take a long time to get, so call early.

Checklist for Completion

By Sept 8, 2022

- Bring in a signed copy of this letter.
- Schedule your appointment for a physical with your doctor for a date before Sept 30. Discuss with your doctor if the QuantiFERON-TB Gold (QFT) Blood Test is a good choice for you.

If you take the **QuantiFERON-TB Gold (QFT) Blood Test**, then you only **need one doctor's appointment.**

If you take the PPD test, you will need to schedule a second doctor's appointment for a 2nd PPD test after Dec 15, 2022

By Oct 12 (at your doctor's appointment):

- Make sure to explain to your medical provider this is not a "regular" school physical. You are looking to get clearance to work in a clinical setting, which is why you need titers.
- Be sure that your medical provider completes all parts of the form, signs and stamps the form.
- If, for some reason, the form is not able to be completed, have them sign, stamp, and date what is completed, and submit the form to the teacher so we can check progress.
- Be sure to ask for "quantitative titer report results" attach a copy of the lab report.

Submission of the initial physical is **due Oct 17, 2022.** You must have everything completed by Nov 1, 2022.

Please call your child's teacher or the guidance counselor at (516) 604-4200 with any questions or concerns.

Important information regarding the physical:

1. TB Clearance Process

You may take the QuantiFERON TB GOLD (QFT) blood test after June 1, 2022

OR

You can take a series of two PPD tests to detect the presence of the tuberculosis bacteria. The 1st PPD should be done at the time of the physical exam. The 2nd PPD must be done within 90 days of the clinic start date, between Dec 15, 2022, and Jan 31, 2023. If you do not choose to have your physician do the 2nd PPD, you will be asked to sign a permission slip for your child to receive it in school by our school nurse. Students who do not submit a completed physical will remain in the classroom and cannot complete this course and sit for the CMA exam.

2. Titers

Titers indicate whether or not your child is at risk to contract one of the listed communicable diseases. These blood tests are only required for the students attending clinic for the first time. Please make sure the doctor not only notes the results of the test but also **attaches a copy of the lab report for each test.**

3. Flu Shot

Students are required to have a flu shot in order to participate in the clinic experience. If you do not show proof of having a flu shot, you are required to wear a mask every day at clinic.

4. COVID-19

As we are all aware, CDC/DOH guidelines are constantly being updated. Currently, all student whose placement is in a health care facility are required to have their COVID-19 vaccination and booster.

Additionally, students must wear a mask (and possibly a face shield) at all times.

5. Completed documentation

Check that the doctor completed the entire physical form and has attached all requested reports.

Be sure to keep a copy for yourself. Also, you must attach a copy of the COVID-19 vaccination card to the physical.

The clinical rotation is an important part of your child's education. It continues for most of the school year. Students who do not submit a **completed physical, proof of COVID-19**

vaccination and booster will not be permitted to attend the clinic. Students who do not participate in the clinical experience will not meet the NYSED program requirements and will be required to withdraw from the program.

The deadline for submission is **Nov 1, 2022**. We are required to submit documentation to our clinic partners by this date.

Clinical Rotation Letter/Acknowledgement for the 2022/23 School Year

Acknowledge your compliance with the health physical requirement by signing and returning this page only to your child's teacher by Sept 8, 2022.

Print Parent's/Guardian's Name: _____

Parent's/Guardian's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Print Student's Name: _____

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Thank you for partnering with us to provide your student with this valuable educational experience

Sincerely,

Madelaine Hackett
Principal

Attachments:

- Health Physical Form
- Permission slips for the GC Tech school nurse to do the 2nd PPD. Sign and return this form to your child's teacher only if you choose not to have your own physician do the 2nd PPD

Teacher Name:	Class:
Student First Name:	Student Last Name:
Date of Birth:	
Home Street Address:	City: State: Zip:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:

To Be Completed by Parent/Guardian

Parent/Guardian Consent Statement:

I give permission that a copy of this report may be sent to a clinical facility when requested.

I give permission for my child to be randomly drug tested for Nassau BOCES at any hospital/nursing home as deemed necessary.

Signature: _____
 (Parent/Guardian)

To Be Completed by Student

Student Statement:

I _____ consent to random drug testing for Nassau BOCES at any hospital/nursing home/clinical site as deemed necessary.

Signature: _____
 (Student)