



Monticello Community Schools
Shannon Elementary / Carpenter Elementary
321 W. South St. / 615 N. Gill St., Monticello, IA 52310
(319) 465-3000

January, 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for participating in Kindergarten Roundup. Kindergarten Roundup is an important series of events that helps ensure a smooth transition for our incoming kindergarten class. This yearly process is made up of three parts: 1.) Pre-registration, 2.) Hearing, Vision, and Preacademic Checks, and 3.) Parent-Student Night. All of these events take place at Shannon Elementary School.

Pre-registration (January 3-31, 2020) involves the exchange of important information and required medical forms. The Medical Exam Form, Immunization Card and Dental Exam Form will be handed out at this time. **According to Iowa law, we must have all of these completed medical forms on school file prior to your child attending school. *The completed Immunization form is due by May 1, 2020. the Dental and Physical can be returned at Registration in August or the first day of school (at the latest).** You may mail the completed forms to Sandy Hinrichs (school secretary) at Shannon Elementary School, or you may drop them off to her during school hours. If you have any questions regarding the medical forms, please call our school nurse, Jen Speltz at ext. 1327. (Please note that the Kindergarten Roundup Pre-registration does not take the place of the Monticello Community School District registration in August.)

New incoming Kindergarten Students will also need:

Proof of Age: Birth certificate or hospital certificate of birth, baptismal record, signed physician's statement showing date of birth

Proof of Residency: Utility bill, rental agreement, etc. (something that shows your current address and that you live within our district boundary)

Hearing, Vision, and Pre-academic Checks (April 14, 2020) provides Grant Wood Area Education Agency staff and Monticello CSD staff an opportunity to check students' hearing, vision, and pre-academic skills. Additional information (including an appointment time) will be mailed to you prior to this event. (Please note: The purpose of these checks is to provide information... not to determine readiness for kindergarten.)

Parent-Student Night (May 5, 2020) is an event that allows children and their parents to meet staff and explore the Kindergarten classrooms. Please feel free to contact the teachers or me to learn more about our kindergarten program - or better yet, we could arrange for you to visit a kindergarten classroom. Please call the school office if you would like to arrange a classroom visit.

As you can see, Kindergarten Roundup allows families and school personnel to prepare for the following school year. The more accurate our numbers are, the better we can prepare. Therefore, if you are aware of someone with a child who will turn five on or before September 15, please encourage them to contact Shannon Elementary School.

Note: Little Panther Preschool Students will be taken to screening during the school day by Staff.

For more information and copies of required forms, please visit our district web site: www.monticello.k12.ia.us, and click on Kindergarten Roundup and Registration Info.

Sincerely,

Denny Folken
Elementary Principal



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Dear Parent / Guardian of Incoming Kindergartners,

The Iowa Immunization Law states that for your child to attend a public or private school in Iowa, he or she must be fully immunized against DPT, Polio, Chicken pox, MMR, and Hepatitis B. This means that to be fully immunized your child will need to have had:

Polio: 4 doses – with one dose given after the age of 4

DPT (Diphtheria, Pertussis, and Tetanus): 5 doses with one dose given after the age of 4

MMR (Measles, Mumps, and Rubella): 2 doses (usually the second dose is given after age 4)

Varicella (Chicken Pox): 2 doses (usually the second dose is given after age 4)

Hepatitis B: 3 doses

IT IS MANDATORY that a COMPLETED IMMUNIZATION CERTIFICATE for your child be RETURNED TO SCHOOL by MAY 1, 2020. Your child will not be able to attend school the first day if immunizations are not completed. If there is a problem with completing the above vaccines by the first day of school, please call Jen Speltz, School Nurse at Shannon Elementary (319 – 465 – 3000 ext. 1327).

The state law has provided for religious, medical, or provisional certificates in the case that your child, for some reason, cannot complete the required immunizations by August. If you need one of these certificates, please contact your physician, the Community Health Office, or Jen Speltz.

We are happy to receive your child's immunization certificate as soon as it is completed, but it **MUST BE ON FILE AT SCHOOL** by the **FIRST DAY of CLASSES in AUGUST of 2020**. Your child, according to the state immunization law, is to be excluded from school if there is not one of the certificates (completed immunization certificate; provisional; religious; or medical) on file the first day of school in August 2020.

Attached to this note you will find **Medical Exam Form** with a copy of the **Immunization Card** printed on back of **Medical Form**, also attached is a **Dental Form** for your child's dentist to fill out at their next appointment. The Medical Exam Form, Immunization Card, Vision Card and Dental Form are being given to you now to allow more time for you to get your child to the doctor, and dentist. The doctor and dentist will know how to fill out each form. The Dental and Physical can be returned at Registration in August, or the first day of school. When you have completed the forms, you can either mail them to Sandy Hinrichs, Secretary, at Shannon Elementary School, drop them off during school hours or fax them to 319-465-3370.

***Please let us know on the back of this sheet any additional information regarding your child that the teacher or other personnel should be aware of (allergies, medications, significant developmental history, etc.)**

Kindergarten Information to return to Shannon

*Home Language - Race Ethnicity Form - District Migrant Form

*Student-Parent Information

*Birth Certificate - Proof of Residency

*Immunization- Dental-Physical with LEAD screening date by May1, 2020

Sincerely,
Jen Speltz RN, BSN
Shannon Elementary School Nurse