



## DISCOVERY CHARTER SCHOOL

Dear Parent/ Guardian,

Welcome to Discovery! Please read the following information regarding health documents which must be turned in or uploaded at Registration in July. Please contact your child's health care provider upon receiving this information, as a back-to-school physical appointment during the early summer is easier to obtain the earlier it is made. The documents below will also be located on the Discovery website under the Policies & Docs tab.

### Vaccination Requirements for School

Here is the information regarding vaccination requirements for school entry- [2022-2023 Required Immunizations](#). Students new to Discovery must have proof of the required vaccinations on file. If your child is uninsured, the Porter County Health Department can provide the necessary vaccinations for \$15 each. The purpose of the vaccination requirements for school entry are to protect students, staff and the visiting public against vaccine- preventable disease while in school. The requirements are mandated by the Indiana State Department of Health, and in accordance with state law, **vaccination proof must be submitted in order for your child to start school.**

### Medical Exam for School

Students new to Discovery must have a Medical Examination Report on file: [Medical Examination Form](#). If your child is uninsured, your child can receive a no-cost back-to-school physical at the HealthLinc Health and Wellness Fair on August 2 (11:00 – 2:00) in Valparaiso, or July 21 (3:30-5:30) in Michigan City. For more information, please call (888) 580-1060 and speak to a representative in "outreach".

### Additional Forms

If your child has a **prescription medication** that they need to take during school hours, please have your physician fill out the Medication Administration Form for School. Prescription medication cannot be administered during school hours unless this form is on file. [Medication Authorization Form](#)

If your child has **asthma** and will have an inhaler and/or a nebulizer medication available for use at school, the following asthma action plan must be completed by the physician. [Asthma Action Plan Form](#)

If your child has a **severe allergy** requiring an epi-pen to be kept at the school, the following allergy action plan must be completed by a physician [Allergy Action Plan Form](#)

### Individual Health Plan

If your child has a health issue such as asthma, severe food allergy, diabetes, ADHD, depression, physical limitation or any other health issue that may need to be managed or assessed during school, please inform the school nurse via email, as soon as possible after enrolling your child. Please plan on setting up an appointment to meet with the school nurse prior to the start of school to discuss the health issue and to develop a health plan.

*Allergy action plans, Asthma Action Plans and Prescription Medication Forms can be emailed to the school nurse or turned in at Registration in July. **These forms cannot be uploaded at online Registration.** Immunizations and Medical Examination Forms can be uploaded during online Registration or brought in on Registration day.*

If you have any questions, please contact Nurse Byrt at (219) 983-9800 or [kbyrt@discoverycharter.org](mailto:kbyrt@discoverycharter.org)