

Obligatory pre-school medical examination in kindergarten

Dear parents

The health care is an important concern of the elementary school. In order to guarantee this precaution, the law provides a medical examination for every child entering kindergarten.

Weight, height, state of development as well as **sight and hearing function** are examined. These health-related aspects are basic prerequisites for your child's good development and ability to learn. Sufficient **vaccination protection** is also important. This protects your child from communicable diseases. In general, vaccination is voluntary and requires parental consent. However, children without sufficient vaccination can be temporarily excluded from school – for example in the case of a measles outbreak.

1. Have you already done the 4-year examination on your child?

If yes, very good!

- Please complete the enclosed examination confirmation for the initial medical examination ("**Untersuchungsbestätigung für die ärztliche Eintrittsuntersuchung**") and ask your paediatrician or general practitioner to sign it.
- Please **send** the completed form **directly to the school**.

2. Have you not done the 4-year examination on your child yet?

If no, please make up for it soon:

- Please make an **early appointment** with your paediatrician or general practitioner in the **first year of kindergarten**.
- Fill in the examination confirmation for the medical entry examination ("**Untersuchungsbestätigung für die ärztliche Eintrittsuntersuchung**") as well as the parental questionnaire ("**Elternfragebogen**").

Please bring the following to the examination:

- Completed confirmation of examination ("Untersuchungsbestätigung für die ärztliche Eintrittsuntersuchung", see enclosure)
- Medical report ("Ärztliches Befundblatt", see enclosure)
- Completed parental questionnaire ("Elternfragebogen", see enclosure)
- Your child's health insurance card
- Your child's immunization certificate (Impfausweis)
- Your child's spectacles, hearing aids or other aids

After the examination

- Immediately after the examination, **send** the **confirmation of examination** completed by the doctor **to the school**. This verifies that the examination has been carried out.

Important notes

If you do not send the school verification (Untersuchungsbestätigung) by the end of the first semester (**20th January**) of the **second year of kindergarten** that the pre-school medical examination has been carried out, your child will be examined by the school doctor.

The costs of the pre-school medical examination (excluding the excess) will be met by your health insurer.

We thank you for your cooperation and wish your child a good and healthy school time.