

# Ave Maria Academy Health & Medical Requirements

# **Immunizations**

All students enrolled in Minnesota schools must provide proof of immunization or a notarized legal exemption form to attend school. The accepted documentation of immunizations is a copy of your health care provider's immunization record. Documentation of the required immunizations must include month, date, and year and be on file before the first day of school. Minnesota law does provide legal exemptions for documented medical reasons or due to the consciously held beliefs of the parents or guardian. To receive an exemption to vaccination, a parent or legal guardian must complete and sign the relevant section on the immunization record form and have it notarized.

## **History and Physical**

While state law does not require a physical examination, we encourage those entering kindergarten, fourth and seventh grade to have an exam and submit a copy to the health office of the visit.

## **Medications at School**

All prescription and over-the-counter medications that are to be administered at school must be provided by the family with a completed medication administration consent form. Please note that the form includes the physician's written order and signature in addition to the parent/guardian's signature. We do not supply cough drops, Tylenol, or other medications for students. First aid antiseptic spray and ointment are utilized for cuts or wounds that need attention while at school. In the event of a severe reaction, Benadryl may be issued if permission has been authorized through TADS on the student's emergency card.

# **Student Emergency Information**

Emergency cards will be printed from TADS for the nurse's office, front desk, and classroom teachers. Please review your family's emergency card information on TADS and update information that is incorrect or missing for each child enrolled at Ave Maria Academy. If any changes occur during the school year, please notify the front desk immediately.

## <u>Illness</u>

A student should remain home if he or she is experiencing a contagious disease, rash, vomit (more than once), diarrhea, or temperature of 100 degrees or greater in the last 24 hours. For illnesses other than COVID-19, a student may return to school once symptom free (for 24 hours without temperature reducing medication) or cleared by a physician. A student that has tested positive for COVID-19 should be kept home from school for five full days after symptoms started or five full days after testing positive without symptoms. **\*See the Hennepin County COVID-19 fact sheet for additional information regarding exposure and protocols.** 

## **Emergency Care Plans**

For any medical condition such as asthma, allergic reactions, diabetes, or any other condition that requires more than basic first aid needs, a specialized form at school is required with parent and physician signatures. Most physician offices have their own forms for school purposes. However, if you need a form or have questions please contact the school.

**The following resources can be accessed on the Back to School Information page of the AMA website:** *Minnesota Immunization Law Information, Immunization Record Form, Medication Administration Consent Form, History and Physical Form, Hennepin County Human Services and Public Health Department COVID-19 Fact Sheet*