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To: Parent/Guardian of Midland County Pre-Kindergarteners

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Before a child enters Kindergarten, parents are required to provide three types of basic health information:

- An up-to-date vaccination record
- Proof of hearing and vision screening completed once between the ages of 3 and 5
- Proof of an oral health assessment done within 6 months of starting school

The following information will be useful when preparing to begin Kindergarten.

Childhood Immunizations

Michigan State Law requires all children enrolling in a Michigan school for the first time to be immunized or protected against the following: diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (whooping cough), polio, measles, mumps, rubella, hepatitis B and varicella (chicken pox). Immunizations can be given at 4 years of age.

Immunizations are available through the Health Department. Copies of immunization records are available by request. Immunization services are available by appointment only, call 989-832-6665. If you have decided not to immunize your child, you must obtain a vaccine waiver from the Health Department to submit to the schools. Certified waivers can only be obtained by scheduling a waiver education appointment at the Health Department by calling 989-832-6665.

Please refer to Immunization Table attached for more information.

Hearing and Vision Screening

Please refer to Hearing and Vision Screening information enclosed

Kindergarten Oral Health Screening

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Please remember to keep your child home from school if they have a fever, cough, sneezing, earache, headache, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, rash, sore throat, or other signs of illness. Remember to contact your school to report the absence and call your health care provider. If your child's provider has diagnosed the illness, please include the diagnosis in the message you leave the school when reporting the absence.