

## ACPS HEALTH REQUIREMENTS FOR REGISTRATION

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4 state physical form (*MCH-213 G*) form within one year of original entry date into  
5 elementary school (Grades K-5 only). Parents/guardians must complete Part I – Health  
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8 by a licensed health care provider licensed in the United States. Any transfer students  
9 (Grades K-5) entering an ACPS elementary school must provide either one or the other  
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17 preschool. A new school entry physical examination dated within one year of entry into  
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21 Alexandria City Public Schools must have appropriate tuberculosis (TB) screening  
22 completed and documented by a health care provider, i.e., a school nurse, private  
23 doctor, or at the health department. This risk assessment or screening test must be done  
24 less than one year prior to the date of entry.

25 Acceptable screening methods used to document a child’s TB status for school entry  
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29 2. Written documentation from one of the following tests performed in the United  
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32 QuantiFERON-TB Gold In-Tube Test or the T-SPOT TB Test), **or**
  - 33 ● Intradermal Mantoux (“PPD”) Tuberculin Skin Test (TST), which must  
34 be read by a nurse or doctor 48-72 hours after placement.

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- 54 requirement will not be allowed to enroll.
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- 57 only for children up to 60 months of age (preschoolers). Children between the
- 58 ages of 15 and 60 months (5 years) are only required to have one dose of
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- 76 children receive 2 doses of each because the vaccine usually administered is the
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- 78 separated by at least 4 weeks (28 days). Preschool children should have at least
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- 81 ○ **Polio (OPV or IPV)** – All children must have at least 4 doses of polio vaccine,
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## Appendix A

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1. Documentation of 1 dose of varicella vaccine given at 12 months of age or older for children born on or after January 1, 1997. Effective March 3, 2010, documentation of 2 doses of varicella vaccine is required prior to kindergarten entry.
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1. Complete Part II (Certification of Immunization), Section 1 the MCH form 213-G with the date of disease or serological confirmation, and sign the form.  
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Appendix B

**COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA  
CERTIFICATE OF RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION**

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The administration of immunizing agents conflicts with the above named Student's/my religious tenets or practices. I understand, that in the occurrence of an outbreak, potential epidemic or epidemic of a vaccine-preventable disease in my/my child's school, the State Health Commissioner may order my/my child's exclusion from school, for my/my child's own protection, until the danger has passed.

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I hereby affirm that this affidavit was signed in my presence on

This \_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_

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