

REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CHARIHO REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

- *This checklist is designed to help streamline your student's registration process.*
- *There are documents needed that we must have before we can enroll your student.*
- *If all documents are not provided, we will have to reschedule your appointment and will not be able to complete your registration.*

The following information must be brought with you to the registration appointment:

1. Locator Card

To process a locator card, you will need to bring with you to the town hall the following:

- a. Proof of residency by providing any of the following: RI Drivers license with your current street address, copy of lease clearly stating landlords name and contact number, tax bill, a piece of mail with current street address, or car registration. If you are moving in with someone else, (i.e. family member or friend) that person needs to prove residency at the town hall as stated above and sign a sworn statement.
- b. Child's birth certificate

If a single parent, legal papers showing custody of the child (i.e. divorce papers, death certificate, guardianship papers from Family Court/Probate Court)

If the School District has any questions regarding the residency of any child, the Truant Office or a Police Officer will be dispatched to verify residency. If it is determined that a student's residency in Chariho was claimed fraudulently and/or under false pretenses, responsible parents or guardians will be charged tuition for each day the student or students attended Chariho schools without properly being a resident of the Chariho District for school purposes under Rhode Island law. Enrollment in Chariho schools will cease.

2. Copy of Legal Guardianship (if applicable)

Court appointed custody papers, divorce papers, death certificate, guardianship papers from Family/Probate Court

If a family is willing to allow an out-of-district student to live with them, they must file for Temporary Guardianship by filling out an affidavit acting in LOCO parentis.

3. Copy of Birth Certificate

4. Immunizations Records. If student is entering 7th grade or from out-of-state a physical is necessary

5. A transcript or copy of last report card and withdrawal grades

The Rhode Island laws state that in order for a student to enroll in any of the public schools, the parent, foster parent or other adult care provider must present proof of residency and medical immunization documentation before entry

Requests to Attend Chariho Schools

With the exception of applicants for Career and Technical programs, requests of students from other districts to pay tuition to attend Chariho schools will be brought to the school committee for action. In extenuating circumstances and with the prior approval of the Superintendent, students who are moving to one of the member towns may be allowed to attend Chariho schools without payment of tuition prior to October 1st if residency will be established by October 1st. Transportation will not be provided when requests are granted.

Students Residence Changes

If a student's residence changes to an out-of-district location after completion of his/her junior year in high school, the student will be allowed to complete his/her senior year in Chariho High School. If any current Chariho student's residence changes to a location other than one of the member towns during the course of a semester, the student will be allowed to complete the current semester in the Chariho schools.

Transportation will not be provided when these options are exercised. These guidelines will not apply if it is determined that a student's residency in a member town was claimed fraudulently and/or under false pretenses.



Preschool and School Immunization Requirements

In accordance with the Rhode Island Department of Health *Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Immunization and Testing for Communicable Diseases* (R23-1-IMM), the minimum number of doses of required immunizations for children entering pre-kindergarten are:

Requirements for All Children Entering Childcare and Pre-school:

- Three (3) doses of hepatitis B vaccine
- Four (4) doses of DTaP (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis) vaccine
- Three (3) doses of polio vaccine
- One (1) dose of MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) vaccine
- Four (4) doses of Pneumococcal Conjugate
- Four (4) doses of Hib (last dose deferred)
- One (1) dose of varicella (chickenpox) vaccine *or* a statement signed by your child's doctor stating that your child has a history of chickenpox disease.

New Requirements for All Children Entering Kindergarten:

- Three (3) doses of hepatitis B vaccine
- Five (5) doses of DTaP (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis) vaccine
- Four (4) doses of polio vaccine
- Two (2) doses of MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) vaccine
- Two (2) doses of varicella (chickenpox) vaccine *or* a statement signed by your child's doctor stating that your child has a history of chickenpox disease.

New Requirements for All Children Entering 7th Grade:

- Booster dose Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis) vaccine, if it has been 5 years or more since the last dose of diphtheria-tetanus containing vaccine.
- Four (4) doses of Polio vaccine
- Two (2) doses of MMR vaccine (Measles, Mumps, Rubella)
- Three (3) doses of hepatitis B vaccine.
- Two (2) doses of varicella (chickenpox) vaccine *or* a statement signed by your child's doctor stating that your child has a history of chickenpox disease.
- One (1) dose of Meningococcal conjugate (Meningitis) vaccine.

IMPORTANT REMINDER ABOUT FLU VACCINATION

Seasonal Flu Vaccine

The Health Department strongly suggests all children receive the seasonal influenza (flu) vaccine this year. The flu is a contagious respiratory illness that can cause mild to severe sickness, and at times lead to hospitalization and even death. The best way to prevent the flu is to get a vaccination each year. Even if children are up to date on their routine vaccinations, seasonal flu vaccination is especially important this year because of the H1N1 (swine flu) pandemic. Although the seasonal flu vaccine is unlikely to provide protection against H1N1 influenza, it will provide protection against seasonal flu, reducing a child's risk of getting sick with both types of flu. Contracting both illnesses will increase the risk for serious complications. CDC expects that 30-50% of the population will get sick with H1N1 this fall. A vaccine against H1N1 is currently in production, but it is not meant to replace the seasonal flu vaccine.