

Stark County Health Department

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Public Health
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Date: _____

Dear: Parent/Guardian/Foreign Exchange Placement Agency or Host family

This letter is to serve as written guidance in regards to Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 3701-15-04 tuberculosis (TB) testing and examination in schools, the law that required TB testing of new school students prior to their first day of school. The following is Stark County's Policy regarding TB Testing for Schools:

The policy requires all foreign-born students, volunteers, and/or employees be screened upon enrollment, entry, and/or hire to the school district. In addition, any foreign-born students, volunteers, and/or employees that have been in the United States for three months or less must have a skin test initially upon hire/enrollment and a repeat skin test three months after the initial test. No annual skin test screening is required for schools. In the event of a positive skin test, there is the possibility of additional diagnostic testing (x-ray), medical follow-up, and/or treatment.

This policy is based on Stark County's low case rate, foreign-born case incidence, and recommendations from the Ohio Department of Health and The American Academy of Pediatrics. Please keep in mind that schools may set TB policy that is more stringent than above if they choose to do so. If you have any questions regarding this TB testing policy, you may contact Carolyn Jennings at 300-493-9914 ext. 246.

Additionally, section 3313.671 of the Ohio Revised Code requires all students attending school in the state of Ohio to provide proof of adequate vaccinations. No student shall be permitted to remain in school for more than fourteen days unless the pupil presents written evidence satisfactory to the person in charge of admission, that the pupil has been immunized by a method of immunization approved by the department of health pursuant to section 3701.13 of the Revised Code or is in the process of being immunized. (Vaccine doses should be administered according to the most recent version of the *Recommended Immunization Schedules for Persons Aged 0 Through 18 Years or the Catch-up Immunization Schedule for Persons aged 4 Months through 18 Years Who Start Late or Who Are More Than 1 Month Behind*, as published by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices. It is important that each dose of vaccine a child has received be properly documented including the month, day, and year of vaccination).

Both TB testing and immunizations are available at your primary care provider or at the Stark County Health Department (330) 493-9914.

Any costs related to the TB testing and evaluation or immunizations are the responsibility of the student's responsible guardian.

Sincerely,

Sherry A. Smith MS, BSN, RN

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Tuberculosis (TB) Skin Tests Offered at Local Health Departments

Stark County Health Department

3969 Convenience Circle NW,
Canton, OH 44718
330-493-9914

Tuberculin Skin Tests (TSTs) will be given on Tuesdays on a walk-in basis between the hours of 9:00 am to 11:45 am and from 1:30 pm to 4:00 pm for a \$15.00 fee
Tests will be read on Thursdays 48 hours after the test was given.

Canton City Health Department

420 Market Ave. North
Canton, Ohio 44702
(330) 489-3231

Tests given on Monday mornings from 8:00 am to 11:00 am
for Canton City residents \$5.00.
Tests read Wednesday morning between 10am and 11am.

Alliance Health Department

537 E. Market St. PO Box 2504
Alliance, Ohio 44601
330-821-7373

Tests given on Tuesdays mornings, by appointment, for Alliance City residents.
Arrangements will be made for the test to be read on Thursday afternoon.
Tests are \$20.00

Massillon City Health Department

111 Tremont AVE SW
Massillon, OH 44647
(Entrance on north side)
330-830-1713

Tests given on Tuesdays from 10:00 am to 11:45 am, no appt. needed
Tests read on Thursdays, tests are \$10.00.

Jackson Local Schools

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Please send me documentation of the completed TB skin test or complete the bottom portion of this form and return to me in the enclosed envelope. A TB skin test can be done at a physician's office or at a local health department. For your convenience, a schedule of dates and times that TB skin tests are given at the local health departments is enclosed. If you have any questions regarding this TB testing policy, you may contact Carolyn Jennings at 300-493-9914 ext. 246.

Child Name: _____ Grade: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Country Born: _____

In United States since: _____ (if less than 3 months will need 2 TB skin tests- one at school enrollment, the second 3 months later)

Tuberculin Test Record

Mantoux	Date Given	Date Read	Negative	Doubtful	Positive	Nurse Signature
#1						
#2						

Comments on any follow-up needed:

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