

MEDICAL EXAMINATION

A medical examination is compulsory. The European Schools follow the rules of the host country. Under Belgian law, a medical examination is compulsory.

As part of the school medical service, children in the following groups will have a medical check-up during the school year:

- Nursery second year pupils (M2) (only a neuromotor test)
- Primary first year pupils (P1)
- Primary third year pupils (P3)
- Primary fifth year pupils (P5)
- Secondary second year pupils (S2)
- Secondary fourth year pupils (S4)
- Secondary sixth year pupils (S6)

<u>The purpose</u> of these examinations is to establish a record of the student's overall health and maturity, inform the parents and, where appropriate, offer help that can help foster a better adaptation to school life as well as to family and social life.

The medical examination includes :

- biometrics (height and weight)
- a hearing and vision check
- a physical examination by the doctor (selective examination for special problems e.g. scoliosis, dental condition, warts, heart murmur, puberty stage, descent of the testicles, ...)

No <u>vaccinations</u> are administered at school. Please contact your doctor or paediatrician for this. The basic immunisation schedule includes the school doctor's advice letter, so that parents can check on their child's immunisation status.

During the medical examination the doctor cannot prescribe medication or write a medical certificate.

The medical service has an exclusively preventive action, early detection of physical deficiencies and optimisation of living conditions (school buildings). The school doctor does not examine a febrile or injured child. The school doctor does not perform curative procedures, except in cases of extreme urgency (e.g. allergic shock). All results are to be communicated to the attending physician by the parents (letter of advice from the school physician) for a better follow-up.

If the medical questionnaire submitted by the parents at the time of registration is incomplete, the school doctor may, in case of necessity or emergency, telephone the doctor designated by the parents as responsible for the child. This is to better coordinate the child's well-being within the school.

In the event of a serious epidemic within the school, we insist on the absolute necessity of the good collaboration of the parents of the sick child in order to identify the pupils having been in direct contact with this child.

Parents who wish to meet the school doctor are invited to make an appointment at 02/373.86.35 (infirmary).