

REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CHARIHO REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

This checklist is designed to help streamline the student registration process as specific documents are needed to enroll new students. Questions about this process may be directed to office staff at any of our schools.

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

1. Locator Card

Locator cards, which serve as proof of residency, may be obtained from the Charlestown, Richmond or Hopkinton Town Halls. Bring the following documents to the Town Hall:

- a. Proof of residency by providing any of the following: RI driver's license with current street address, copy of lease stating landlord's name and contact number, tax bill, mail with current street address, or automobile 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 you are a single parent, legal papers showing custody of the child (i.e. divorce papers, death certificate, guardianship papers from Family Court/Probate Court).

If there are questions regarding the residency of any child, the Attendance Officer 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 of enrollment in Chariho schools. 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/Physical Exam. A physical exam is required for students entering grades K, 7, 12 and for students from out-of-state. Additionally, students entering Kindergarten must provide proof of lead and vision screenings.

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

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 must be approved by the Superintendent of Schools. 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.

Student 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 at Chariho Regional 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 school are as follows:

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.

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.

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 SEASONAL FLU VACCINATION

The Health Department strongly suggests that all children receive the seasonal influenza (flu) vaccine. The flu is a contagious respiratory illness that can cause mild to severe sickness, and at times can lead to hospitalization and even death. The best way to prevent the flu is to get a vaccination each year.