**Pennsylvania State Mandated Screenings and Exams**

The Pennsylvania Department of Health requires the following grade level examinations:

Grade K or 1: Physical exam and Dental Exam

Grade 3: Dental Exam

Grade 6: Physical Exam and Scoliosis Screening

Grade 7: Dental Exam and Scoliosis Screening

Grade 11: Physical Exam

You will be notified when the school physician/dentist will be performing exams at your child’s school. Only those students with written parental permission will be examined at the school.

The Department of Health encourages your family physician/dentist to conduct the exams since they are more familiar with your child’s health history. Physical and dental exams done up to 4 months before grade entry will be accepted.

The required private physical/dental exam forms can be obtained from the school nurse or printed from the [Health Services](http://www.edline.net/pages/Avella_Elementary_Center/Elementary_Center/2887095295734022146) page on the Elementary Website.

The following screenings are required:

Height and Weight: Checked annually in Kindergarten through Grade 12

Vision: Checked annually in Kindergarten through Grade 12

Hearing: Check in Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 7th, and 11th

*What does a referral mean?*

If you receive a referral after any school screening or exam, it means that a possible problem was detected and further evaluation by your healthcare provider is recommended. The referral form is to be completed and returned to the school nurse.