

MANTOUX TUBERCULAN TESTING **IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

REQUIREMENT FOR EMPLOYMENT

In every school district, a Mantoux Intradermal Tuberculin Test is required upon employment of all newly hired staff (full-time and part-time), all student teachers, school bus drivers on contract with the district, and other persons (including substitutes) who have contact with pupils.

A new employee, student teachers, and other's contracting with the district) with a documented Mantoux Test administered within the previous 6 months does not have to be re-tested. An employee transferring between school districts within New Jersey would not have to be tested if there is a documented record of a Mantoux Test being administered upon his/her initial employment in a New Jersey Public School. N.J.S.A. 18A:40-16 N.J.A.C. 6:29-2.3

NEWLY HIRED EMPLOYEES HAVE SOME OPTIONS

1. A Mantoux Test can be administered by one's own private physician.
2. For your convenience, the Ocean County Public Health Department administers a Mantoux T.B. Test. The test is administered at their clinic at the following address:

175 Sunset Avenue, Toms River, NJ

Please call the office at 732-341-9700 ext. 7604 to arrange for an appointment. The fee for the test is \$20.00.

The test must read 48 hours after administered. It is, therefore, required that you return to the clinic 2 days after the test is administered. Your test will be read and you will receive a card with the results. If you do not return to the clinic 48 hours after the test is administered, the test will be considered invalid.