

2015-2016 School Immunization Requirements

Vaccine Type	Number of Doses Required Per Grade		
	Kindergarten	Grades 1-6	Grades 7-12
DTaP/DTP/DT/Tdap/Td*	5	5	5
Hepatitis B	3	3	3
IPV/OPV[†]	4	4	4
MMR	2	2	2
Varicella (Chickenpox)	2 [§]	2 [§]	2 ^{§#}
Meningococcal[¶]	0	0	1
Tdap[⊖]	0	0	1

* One dose of DTaP (pediatric diphtheria, tetanus, and acellular pertussis) vaccine must have been given on or after the 4th birthday. Only four doses are necessary if the 4th dose was administered on or after the 4th birthday. Three doses of Tdap (adolescent/adult tetanus, diphtheria, and acellular pertussis)/Td are required for children ages seven or older who were not previously vaccinated. Tdap should be used as the first dose followed by two doses of Td for children age seven or older not previously vaccinated.

[†] For polio vaccination, in all-IPV or all-OPV schedule: one dose must have been given on or after the 4th birthday. The final dose in the series should be administered on or after the 4th birthday and at least six months after the previous dose. If four doses are administered prior to age four a 5th dose should be administered at age four through 6 years. Only three doses of IPV are required if the 3rd dose is given on or after the 4th birthday.

[§] For the 2015-16 school year, two doses of varicella vaccine are required for kindergarten through seventh grade. If a child has a reliable history of chickenpox disease, the child is exempt from the vaccine requirement.

For the 2015-16 school year, one dose of varicella vaccine is required of children attending eighth through eleventh grade. If a child has a reliable history of chickenpox disease, the child is exempt from the vaccine requirement.

[¶] One dose of meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV4) is required for entrance into the seventh grade. One dose of MCV4 must have been given on or after the 10th birthday.

[⊖] One dose of Tdap vaccine is required for entrance into the seventh grade. One dose of Tdap must have been given on or after the 7th birthday.

Exemptions

Students may be exempt from immunization requirements for the following reasons:

- **Medical Exemption:** Requires a certificate signed by a licensed physician stating that the physical condition of the child is such that immunization would endanger the life or health of the child.
- **Philosophical, Moral or Religious Belief Exemption:** Requires a certificate signed by the parent or guardian whose sincerely held philosophical, moral or religious belief is opposed to such immunization.
- **History of Disease Exemption:** Requires a certificate signed by the parent or guardian or physician stating that the child has a reliable history of chickenpox disease.