

2017 – 2018 School Immunization Requirements

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

- * One dose of DTaP (pediatric diphtheria, tetanus, and acellular pertussis) vaccine must have been given on or after the fourth birthday. Only four doses are necessary if the fourth dose was administered on or after the fourth 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 fourth birthday. The final dose in the series should be administered on or after the fourth birthday and at least six months after the previous dose. If four doses are administered prior to age four, a fifth dose should be administered on or after age four. Only three doses of IPV are required if the third dose is given on or after the fourth birthday. Children born before August 2005 only need four doses separated by at least four weeks. These children do not need a dose after the age of four.
- § For the 2017-18 school year, two doses of varicella vaccine are required for kindergarten through ninth grade. If a child has a reliable history of chickenpox disease, the child is exempt from the vaccine requirement.
- # For the 2017-18 school year, one dose of varicella vaccine is required of children attending tenth through twelfth 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 tenth 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 seventh 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.