

**SOUTH PASADENA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
HEALTH SERVICES
IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CALIFORNIA
SCHOOL ENTRY
2019-2020**

Students Admitted at TK/K-12 Need:

- **Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Pertussis (DTaP, DTP, Tdap, or Td) — 5 doses**
(4 doses is OK if one was given on or after 4th birthday. 3 doses OK if one was given on or after 7th birthday. For 7th-12th graders, at least 1 dose of pertussis-containing vaccine is required on or after 7th birthday.)
- **Polio (OPV or IPV) — 4 doses**
(3 doses is OK if one was given on or after 4th birthday)
- **Hepatitis B — 3 doses**
- **Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (MMR) — 2 doses**
(Both given on or after 1st birthday)
- **Varicella (Chickenpox) — 2 doses**

These immunization requirements also apply to students entering transitional kindergarten. California schools are required to check immunization records for all new student admissions at TK/Kindergarten through 12th grade and all students advancing to 7th grade before entry. Parents must show their child's Immunization Record as proof of immunization.

In addition, children entering 7th grade must also have proof of:

1 additional booster of TDaP (which has been given on or after the 7th birthday)

2 MMR vaccines (or any measles containing vaccine; both doses must be given on or after the 1st birthday)

The only exemption allowed by law is for a medical condition making vaccination inadvisable. If your child has a medical reason why he/she should not have some or all vaccines, the law requires that you provide the school with a letter signed by a Medical Doctor stating the reason for the vaccine exemption and the length of time that vaccination is contraindicated. The law does NOT allow for an alternate vaccination schedule based on parent preference, even with a doctor's letter. Your child must be up to date on all vaccinations that are required for public school entry to attend class at any public or private school in California. Thank you for your understanding.