



February 20, 2018

RE: Required Immunizations for the 2018-2019 School Year

Dear Superintendent, Administrator, and School Health Staff:

For the 2018-2019 school year, please be reminded of the following information regarding the Texas minimum vaccine requirements for school entry. Immunizations are an important way to ensure the health and well-being of your students, their families, and your community.

Immunization requirements for the 2018-2019 school year are similar to the previous school year. The two-dose hepatitis A vaccine requirement is extended to Kindergarten through 9th grade and will progress one grade level every school year. The complete requirements can be found in 25 Texas Administrative Code, §97.63.

The requirements are also available in a chart format for easy use. The *2018-2019 Texas Minimum State Vaccine Requirements for Students in Grades K-12* and *2018-2019 Texas Minimum State Vaccine Requirements for Child-Care and Pre-Kindergarten Facilities* documents can be found on the Department of State Health Services (DSHS) Immunization website at www.ImmunizeTexas.com. The Immunization Unit also has numerous resources that may be useful during the back-to-school season, including Frequently Asked Questions, a provisional enrollment flowchart, recommended vaccine schedules, and more. Physical copies of these publications are available free of charge at www.ImmunizeTexasOrderForm.com.

For additional information on immunization requirements, please contact the Immunization Unit at (800) 252-9152. Thank you for dedication to keeping Texas students healthy and well. We wish you a rewarding and productive 2018-2019 school year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nancy Ejuma".

Nancy Ejuma
Immunization Unit Director