



IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR

Updated immunization records are required within the **first five days** of the school year. School-aged children living in Pennsylvania are required to have the following immunizations:

<p>Children in ALL grades (K-12) need the following immunizations for attendance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4 doses of tetanus, diphtheria and acellular pertussis (1 dose on or after 4th birthday)*• 4 doses of polio (4th dose on or after 4th birthday and at least 6 months after previous dose given) **• 2 doses of measles, mumps and rubella***• 3 doses of hepatitis B• 2 doses of varicella (chickenpox) or evidence of immunity	<p>Seventh through 12th Grade ADDITIONAL immunization requirements for attendance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2 doses meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV)<ul style="list-style-type: none">• First dose is given 11-15 years of age; a second dose is required at age 16 or entry into 12th grade.• If the dose was given at 16 years of age or older, only one dose is required.• 1 dose of tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis (Tdap)
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* Usually given as DTP or DTaP or DT or Td

** A 4th dose not necessary if the 3rd dose was administered at age 4 years or older and at least 6 months after the previous dose

*** Usually given as MMR

To avoid exclusion from school, please provide your school nurse: (1) an updated immunization record within the first five days of the school year, or (2) a medical certificate (immunization plan).

Please call the Pennsylvania Health Department 1 877 724 3258 if your child does not have insurance coverage or if your insurance does not cover immunizations.

If your child is exempt from immunizations for medical reasons, religious beliefs or philosophical/strong moral or ethical conviction, proof of exemption is required.