

# Immunization Requirements for the 2010 - 2011 School Year

K.A.R. 28-1-20 defines immunizations required for any individual who attends school or a childcare program operated by a school. There are changes in requirements for immunizations for the upcoming school year. Please carefully review the requirements below. The usual number of doses required are listed; however there are exceptional circumstances that could alter the number of doses a child needs. If you have questions about your child's immunization status, contact your child's primary care provider or local health department.



**Proof of receiving the immunizations must be provided to the school prior to attending the first day of school.**

Early Childhood Program Operated by a School Ages 4 years and Under	
Vaccine	Requirement
DTaP/DT (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis)	4 doses
IPV (polio)	3 doses
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	1 dose
Varicella (chickenpox)	1 dose*
Hepatitis A	2 doses
Hepatitis B	3 doses
Hib (haemophilus influenza type B)	3 doses
Prevnar (pneumococcal conjugate)	4 doses

Kindergarten and Grade 1	
Vaccine	Requirement
DTaP/DT (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis)	5 doses
IPV (polio)	4 doses
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	2 doses
Varicella (chickenpox)	2 doses*
Hepatitis B	3 doses

Grades 2 - 6	
Vaccine	Requirement
DTaP/DT (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis)	5 doses
IPV (polio)	4 doses
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	2 doses
Varicella (chickenpox)	1 dose**
Hepatitis B	3 doses

Grade 7	
Vaccine	Requirement
Tdap	1 dose***
IPV (polio)	4 doses
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	2 doses
Varicella (chickenpox)	1 dose**
Hepatitis B	3 doses

Grades 8 - 10	
Vaccine	Requirement
Tdap	1 dose****
IPV (polio)	4 doses
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	2 doses
Varicella (chickenpox)	1 dose**
Hepatitis B	3 doses

Grades 11 - 12	
Vaccine	Requirement
Tdap	1 dose****
IPV (polio)	4 doses
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	2 doses

Recommended Immunization
Meningococcal vaccine: One dose of vaccine is recommended at 11 years of age. Older adolescents who have not been vaccinated are encouraged to receive this vaccine. This is not a school requirement.

- \* Varicella (chickenpox) vaccine is not required if child has had chickenpox disease **and** disease is documented by a physician signature. Without physician signature, vaccine is required even if you believe your child has had chickenpox disease.
- \*\* Although 1 dose of varicella is required for school attendance, 2 doses are recommended by the ACIP (Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices).
- \*\*\* All 7th graders are required to have one dose of Tdap if it has been more than 2 years since their previous dose of Td (tetanus/diphtheria). This change is to improve pertussis (whooping cough) immunity, due to pertussis outbreaks.
- \*\*\*\* All 8th - 12th graders are required to have one dose of Tdap when it is time for a Td booster, usually at 12-15 years of age or 10 years after the previous dose of Td (tetanus/diphtheria). This change is to improve pertussis (whooping cough) immunity, due to increasing outbreaks.

School Entry Physicals
Any new early childhood program or kindergarten student will need a school entry physical completed by a Kansas physician within 12 months prior to the first day of school. New students under the age of 9 years who are attending a Kansas school for the first time, also require a physical as described above.
<b>Documentation of the physical must be provided to the school prior to attending the first day of school.</b>