



Immunization Requirements

A student may be granted a medical exemption from immunization based on a written statement from a physician, or his designee, that the immunization may be detrimental to the health of the student.

A religious exemption from immunization may be granted based on a parent / guardian's written ***objection to the immunization on religious grounds or on the basis of a strong moral or ethical conviction similar to a religious belief***. Please include the bold italicized wording in the Letter of Exemption to meet the legal requirement.

If an outbreak of Measles, Mumps or Rubella occurs, the State Health Department may exclude students from classes who do not provide proof of immunity to these diseases.

If you do not provide exemption documentation, your child should must immunization records according to the following schedules:

Immunizations recommended for students in Nursery (for Nursery students that stay for Extended Day: 12-3pm these are required):

- 3-4 doses of tetanus toxoid (**1 dose must have been given on or after the 4th birthday**) Note: If series is started after 7 years of age, only 3 doses are required. (DTP, DTaP or DT or Td)
- 3-4 doses of diphtheria vaccine (**1 dose must have been given on or after the 4th birthday**) Note: If series is started after 7 years of age, only 3 doses are required. (DTP, DTaP or DT or Td)
- 3 doses of polio vaccine.
- 1-2 doses of measles vaccine (MMR, MMRV) **Note: 2nd dose to be given at 4-6 yrs of age.**
- 1-2 doses of mumps vaccine. (MMR, MMRV) **Note: 2nd dose to be given at 4-6 yrs of age.**
- 1 dose of rubella vaccine (German measles). (MMR, MMRV)
- 3 doses of hepatitis B vaccine.
- 2 doses of varicella vaccine, or written statement from physician/designee indicating month and year of disease or serologic proof of immunity. (Var, MMRV) **Note: 2nd dose to be given at 4-6 yrs of age.**

Immunizations required for students in all grades K-12:

- 4 doses of tetanus toxoid (1 dose must have been given on or after the 4th birthday) Note: If series is started after 7 years of age, only 3 doses are required. (DTP, DTaP or DT or Td)
- 4 doses of diphtheria vaccine (1 dose must have been given on or after the 4th birthday) Note: If series is started after 7 years of age, only 3 doses are required. (DTP, DTaP or DT or Td)
- 3 doses of polio vaccine.
- 2 doses of measles vaccine (MMR, MMRV)
- 2 doses of mumps vaccine. (MMR, MMRV)
- 1 dose of rubella vaccine (German measles). (MMR, MMRV)
- 3 doses of hepatitis B vaccine.
- 2 doses of varicella vaccine, or written statement from physician/designee indicating month and year of disease or serologic proof of immunity. (Var, MMRV)

Additional immunizations required for students entering 7th Grade or above:

- 1 dose of tetanus/diphtheria/pertussis vaccine (Tdap).
- 1 dose of meningitis vaccine (MCV).

If you are worried about how to pay for these vaccines, the ACHD does offer the required vaccines free of charge. To obtain information about clinic locations and times, contact the ACHD Infectious Diseases Program at 412-578-8060.