

PENNSYLVANIA SCHOOL IMMUNIZATION AND HEALTH REQUIREMENTS 2023-2024

The Pennsylvania School Health Act requires that all children entering Pennsylvania Schools meet the following requirements.

1. **Immunizations** – Proof of these required immunizations must be provided at the time of registration.

Children in All grades (K-12) need the following vaccines:

- 4 doses of tetanus, diphtheria and acellular pertussis*
(1 dose on or after the 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 **
(given after 12 months)
- 3 doses of hepatitis B
- 2 doses of varicella (chickenpox- vaccine given after 12 months) or history of the disease

* Usually given as DTaP, DTP, DT, Td

** Usually given as MMR

Children 7th-12th Grade –ADDITIONAL immunization requirements for attendance:

- 1 dose of tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis (Tdap)
 - 2 doses meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV)
 - 1st dose 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.
2. **Physical Examination** report consistent with Pennsylvania requirements; upon original entry, grade 6 and grade 11.
 3. **Dental Examination** for all students upon original entry, grade 3 and grade 7.
 4. **Pre-Kindergarten** students must have all age appropriate immunizations to enter school.