

THE QUAKER SCHOOL AT HORSHAM IMMUNIZATION AND MEDICAL INFORMATION

The Pennsylvania Department of Health immunization regulations are intended to ensure that children attending school in the Commonwealth are adequately protected against potential outbreaks of vaccine preventable diseases.

FOR ATTENDANCE IN ALL GRADES, children need the following:

- 4 doses of tetanus, diphtheria and acellular pertussis (usually given as DTP or DTaP or DT or Td)
 - 1 dose on after the 4th birthday
- 4 doses of polio (4th dose on or after 4th birthday and at least 6 months after previous dose)
- 2 doses of measles, mumps and rubella (usually given as MMR)
- 3 doses of hepatitis B
- 2 doses of varicella (chicken pox) or evidence of immunity

FOR ATTENDANCE IN 7th THROUGH 12TH GRADE, children need the following:

- 1 dose of tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis (Tdap) if 5 years have elapsed since last tetanus immunization
- 2 doses of meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV):
 - a) First dose is given 11-15 years of age; second dose is required at age 16 or entry into 12th grade
 - b) If the does was given at 16 years of age or older, only one dose is required.

EXCLUSION FROM SCHOOL

Your child will be excluded on the fifth day of school if immunizations are missing or given at incorrect intervals. For those students unable to get all immunizations completed due to spacing of vaccines by day #5 of school, the parent or guardian will need to provide the school nurse with a medical certificate signed by the child's healthcare provider. If the student is noncompliant with the medical certificate, the exclusion will occur.

Please note: If your child is exempt from immunizations, he or she may be removed from school during an outbreak.

The Pennsylvania School Health Law also requires all children to have physical and dental exams as follows:

Physical Exam: Within one year prior to kindergarten or 1st grade (if your child is entering school for the first time as a 1st grader.) This exam must be done by the first day of school. Students also need physical exams by the first day of 6th grade and 11th grade.

Dental Exam: Within one year prior to kindergarten or 1st grade (if your child is entering school for the first time as a 1st grader.) This exam must be done by the first day of school. Students also need dental exams by the first day of 3^d grade and 7th grade.

Please note: All students who are new to The Quaker School at Horsham will need to show proof of a physical and dental exam regardless of the grade entered.

You are encouraged to have these examinations conducted by your family doctor and/or dentist who is familiar with your child's health history and is in the best position to recommend immediate steps for any necessary remedial care. In addition, all students will participate in all school activities unless there are specified restrictions in writing from your child's medical provider.