

# PENNSYLVANIA SCHOOL IMMUNIZATION AND HEALTH REQUIREMENTS 2020-2021

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 4<sup>th</sup> birthday)
- 4 doses of polio (4<sup>th</sup> dose on or after 4<sup>th</sup> 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 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade –ADDITIONAL immunization requirements for attendance:**

- 1 dose of tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis (Tdap)
  - 2 doses meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV)
    - 1<sup>st</sup> dose given 11-15 years of age; a second dose is required at age 16 or entry into 12<sup>th</sup> 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.