

2021-2022 California School Immunization Requirements 9th – 12th Admission

| Vaccine | Number of Doses Required of Each Immunization |
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| 3 Polio OPV or IPV | 3 doses meet requirement if 1 dose was given on or after 4 th birthday; if not, 4 doses are needed |
| 1 Tdap Tetanus Toxoid, Reduced Diphtheria Toxoid & Acellular Pertussis THIS IS A CALIFORNIA STATE REQUIREMENT | 1 dose of pertussis-containing vaccine is required on or after 7 th birthday. Tdap will meet (1) DTaP requirement. <i>Students will not be allowed to attend school without documentation of a Tdap immunization.</i> |
| 3 DTaP, DTP Diphtheria, Tetanus, & Pertussis Td Tetanus | 3 doses meet requirement if Tdap was given on or after 7 th birthday. 1-2 doses of Td given on or after 7 th birthday count towards the requirement. |
| 3 Hep B Hepatitis B | 3 doses at any age meets requirement |
| 2 MMR Measles, Mumps & Rubella | only doses given on or after 1 st birthday meet the requirement |
| 2 Varicella Chickenpox | "History of chickenpox disease" does not meet the chickenpox immunization requirement. A medical exemption issued using CAIR-ME may be used for a child who had chickenpox disease that was documented by a physician. |

Since January 1, 2016, **Personal Beliefs Exemptions** for currently-required vaccines are no longer allowed in any school, whether public or private.

Medical exemptions for required immunizations

Starting January 1, 2021, all new medical exemptions for school entry must be issued through the California Immunization Registry – Medical Exemption website CAIR-ME <https://cair.cdph.ca.gov/exemptions/home>. Parents and physicians can register and create an account in CAIR-ME at any time. Once registered, parents can log in to CAIR-ME to request a medical exemption. Parents take the exemption request number to their child's physician who can log in to CAIR-ME to issue the exemption. Once the exemption is issued, the physician prints the two-page form and provides a copy to the parents to give to their child's school.

Existing Medical exemptions issued before 2021 will remain on file at schools and do not need to be uploaded into CAIR-ME.

Existing Medical exemptions in CAIR-ME can be accepted, but parents must update the school information listed in CAIR-ME for the exemption and provide a copy to the school.

Medical exemptions issued before January 1, 2020 by physicians who have been disciplined by their medical licensing board are no longer valid after the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year. To find out if a physician has been disciplined by the Medical Board or Osteopathic Medical Board, please look up an issuing physician's name or medical license number on the [list of disciplined physicians](#).

For more information about medical exemptions please visit:

<https://www.shotsforschool.org/laws/exemptions/>