

## State of Rhode Island:

### Department of Health Required immunizations for students

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#### Requirements for students entering pre-kindergarten

- 4 doses of DTaP (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis) vaccine
- 3 doses of Hepatitis B vaccine
- 3 doses of Hib (Haemophilus influenzae type b) vaccine
- 1 dose of MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) vaccine
- 4 doses of Pneumococcal Conjugate vaccine (not routinely given to healthy children 5 years of age and older)
- 3 doses of Polio vaccine
- 1 dose of Varicella (chickenpox) vaccine

#### Requirements for students entering grades K-6<sup>th</sup>

- **All immunizations listed for pre-kindergarten**
- 1 dose of DTaP (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis) vaccine
- 1 dose of MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) vaccine
- 1 dose of Polio vaccine
- 1 dose of Varicella (chickenpox) vaccine

#### Requirements for students entering grades 7-12

- **All immunizations listed for grades K-6<sup>th</sup>**
- 1 dose of Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis) vaccine
- HPV (human papillomavirus) vaccine (1 dose by 7<sup>th</sup> grade; 2 doses by 8<sup>th</sup> grade; 3 doses by 9<sup>th</sup> grade)
- Meningococcal Conjugate (MCV4) vaccine (1 dose by grade 7; 1 booster required on or after age 16 or before entering 12<sup>th</sup> grade)
- \*Note: Per current ACIP recommendations, 2 doses of HPV (human papillomavirus) vaccine (if series is started at age 14 or younger)

**An annual influenza (flu) vaccination is RECOMMENDED for all children ages 6 month- 18 years.**

**A current physical examination is REQUIRED for all new students entering the Bristol-Warren Regional School District.**

**Any questions regarding your child's health information should be directed to the school nurse where you student will be attending.**

## Exemptions

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Students and children in child care (day care) and pre-kindergarten facilities can be exempted from required immunizations for religious, medical, or temporary reasons. A medical exemption certificate must be signed by a medical provider.

- [Religious exemption](#)
- [Medical exemption](#)
- [Temporary exemption](#)

## Other ways to meet the immunization requirements

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- Students and child care workers do not need to get the immunizations listed above if they have already received them. This can be demonstrated with an immunization record, a medical passport, or any other official record that shows the month, day, and year of the vaccinations.
- Students and child care workers do not need to get the immunizations listed above if they cannot receive them for medical reasons. A healthcare provider can provide paperwork stating that someone cannot be vaccinated against a particular disease for medical reasons.