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IMMUNIZATIONS

All students who enroll in Scarborough Public Schools are required by law to present a certificate of immunization or evidence of immunization or immunity against poliomyelitis; diphtheria, pertussis (whooping cough), tetanus; measles, mumps, rubella; and varicella (chicken pox). Students entering grades 7 and 12 must also receive the quadrivalent meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV4).

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS:

- **5 DTaP (Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis): Five doses.** If the fourth dose was administered on or after the fourth birthday, only four doses are required.
- **4 IPV/OPV (Polio): Four doses.** If the third dose was administered on or after the fourth birthday, only three doses are required.
- **2 MMR (Measles/Mumps/Rubella): Two doses.**
- **2 Varicella (Chickenpox): Two doses of varicella vaccine or reliable history of disease.**
 - If a child has had chickenpox, the vaccine is not required, but written physician confirmation that the child has had the disease must be provided. A blood test to confirm immunity is also acceptable.
- **1 Tdap (Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis): One dose of Tdap vaccine is required for students entering 7th grade.**
- **2 MCV4 (Meningococcal Conjugate Vaccine): One dose of MCV4 is required for students entering 7th grade. Two doses of MCV4 are required for students entering 12th grade.** If the first dose of MCV4 was administered on or after the 16th birthday, a second dose is not required.

- *Vaccine requirements may differ slightly for those who are following a catch-up schedule. Please contact the school nurse with questions.*
- *Some exceptions to immunization requirements may apply.*
 - *Medical exemptions are allowed.*
 - *A 90-day waiver may apply if a parent/guardian provides written assurance that the student will be immunized within 90 days of enrolling in school or the student's first attendance in classes, whichever date is earlier. A student who has not yet reached the appropriate age to receive all doses of the required vaccines for school entry could utilize this waiver. This option is available as a one-time provision.*
 - *As of 09/01/2021, religious and philosophical exemptions are no longer an option as an exception to immunization requirements. There is an exception for those students with an Individualized Education Plan and either a philosophical or religious exemption that was in place on or prior to September 1, 2021.*
 - *Please contact the school nurse if your student requires a medical exemption, 90-day waiver, or an exemption as specified above.*