

Monthly Newsletter

TCSS HEALTH
SERVICES



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August is National Immunization Awareness Month

Welcome to the TCSS Health Services newsletter! We are thrilled to share with you the monthly health focus and any important health updates. Please share this newsletter as you see fit. Sharing this information helps us in our mission to keep our school community safe and healthy.

National Immunization Awareness Month is in August to spread awareness on the importance of immunization. It's also the beginning of back-to-school preparations and a good time to make sure your children are properly vaccinated before they head back to school.

There is no one preventive health measure more important than immunization.

Kindergarten Requirement

- Four (4+) DTaP (# of Doses depends upon age given)
- Four (4+) IPV (# of Doses depends upon age given)
- Three (3) Hepatitis B
- Two (2) doses of Measles vaccine, Two (2) doses of Mumps vaccine, and One (1) dose of Rubella
- vaccine OR Two (2) doses of the combined MMR [OR Documented History of disease or
- Serology]
- Two (2) Hepatitis A [Hepatitis A (Required if born on or after 01/01/2006]
- Two (2) doses of Varicella vaccine [OR Documented History of disease or Serology]

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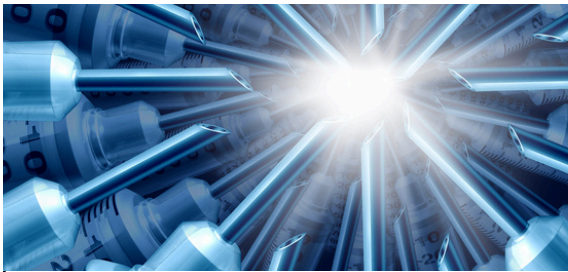
7th Grade Requirement

In Georgia, all children born on or after January 1, 2002, who are attending seventh grade, and children who are new entrants into a Georgia school in grades eight through twelve, must have received one dose of Tdap vaccine and one dose of meningococcal conjugate vaccine to fulfill immunization requirements.

- 1 Dose of Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis) Vaccine (and)
- 1 Dose of Meningococcal Conjugate Vaccine

11th Grade Requirement

Effective July 1, 2021, children 16 years of age and older, who are entering the 11th grade (including new entrants), must have received one booster dose of the meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV4), unless their initial dose was administered on or after their 16th birthday.



How to Observe:

Check with your doctor about the vaccination needs for your family.

Talk with your school nurse about how to spread the word about the importance of vaccination and immunization in your school and community.

Learn more about recommended immunizations.

Know your immunization history/status.



Eye Health & Safety Month

Children's Eye Health and Safety Month is a timely reminder to prepare our children for the classroom and athletics. Good vision and eye protection go a long way to success in school. During Children's eye health and safety month, parents be sure to schedule a routine eye exam. Have them fitted with the correct prescription lenses and depending on their required needs.

Be reminded that school nurses are able to complete an eye exam by referral with parental consent.