



Safe and Healthy Kids

At Derby Public Schools, the health and safety of our students are a top priority. Therefore, we want to inform you of the Kansas Regulations (KSA 72-6262; KSA 72-6265) and the standard of service recommended by the Sedgwick County Health Department for immunizing all children in Kansas. In summary, all students must have updated documentation of required vaccinations on file in the school office, and all new students aged 9 and under must have a current Kansas Health Assessment.* To comply with this requirement, the attached forms (*Kansas Certificate of Immunization (KCI)/Kansas Health Assessment*) must be signed by a physician and submitted to the school office at the time of enrollment.

The required series listed below provides the most up-to-date information as of March 10, 2023. Students who have not completed the required inoculations may enroll if a physician/health department certifies that the child has received the most recent appropriate inoculation in the required series. Please note these are subject to change based on state regulations:

- **Diphtheria, Pertussis, Tetanus** (DTap/DT/Td/Tdap) - 5 doses required.
- **Polio** (IPV) - 4 doses required. The last dose of the IPV must have been received after the 4th birthday, regardless of the number of doses.
- **Measles, Mumps, Rubella** (MMR) - 2 doses required.
- **Varicella** (chickenpox) - 2 doses required or documentation that the child had a prior case of varicella.
- **Hepatitis B** - 3 doses required.
- **Hepatitis A** - 2 doses required.
- **Haemophilus influenzae type b** (Hib) - 4 doses required. *Required for children less than 5 years of age in early childhood programs.*
- **Pneumococcal conjugate** (PCV7) - 4 doses required. *Required for children less than 5 years of age in early childhood programs.*

Medical or religious exemptions are the only legal alternatives the state allows and must be filed with the school annually. Children exempt from immunizations will be excluded from school during an outbreak or a suspected case of a preventable disease.

Any student not provided current documentation of required immunizations will be excluded from school per Kansas law: KSA 72-6265. **The exclusion will be enforced on September 2, 2025.** We believe that imposing this strict standard will increase the likelihood that more Derby students will obtain important healthcare services and that all students attending our schools will be safe and healthy. We will notify those not submitting the required forms before the exclusion date. **The date is not flexible, so please plan ahead!** If you have any questions regarding this requirement, please contact your school of enrollment or the Derby Public Schools Special Services Department at (316) 554-8004.

K.S.A. 72-6265. Exclusion of pupils from school attendance; adoption of policy; notice; hearing; compulsory attendance law not applicable. (a) The school board of every school affected by this act may exclude from school attendance, or by policy adopted by any such school board authorize any certificated employee or committee of certificated employees to exclude from school attendance, any pupil who has not complied with the requirements of K.S.A. 72-6262. A pupil shall be subject to exclusion from school attendance under this section until such time as the pupil shall have complied with the requirements of K.S.A. 72-6262.