South Carolina Immunization Requirements for School 2025-2026

The following minimum immunization requirements are necessary for a child to be admitted to any public, private, or parochial school, grades 5K-12:

<u>Vaccine</u>	<u>Grade</u>	Grade Level Requirement
Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis	5K – 12	Four(4) doses of any combination of DTP, DT, DTaP, Td, or Tdap vaccine with at least one (1) dose received on or after the fourth birthday. Refer to the currently published ACIP Catch Up Schedule for guidance on recommendations for students who are behind. For children 7 years of age and older following a catch-up schedule, 3 doses may be acceptable.
Tdap Booster	7 – 10	One (1) dose of Tdap vaccine. This dose of Tdap may be included as one of the doses needed to meet the requirement for Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis. The vaccine must be given on or after the child's 10th birthday.
	11 - 12	One (1) dose of Tdap vaccine. This dose of Tdap may be included as one of the doses needed to meet the requirement for Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis. The vaccine must be given on or after the child's 7th birthday.
Polio	5K – 12	Three(3) doses of oral and/or inactivated polio vaccine with at least one (1)dose received on or after the fourth birthday.
Measles, Mumps and Rubella	5K – 12	Two(2) doses of MMR vaccine with both doses received on or after the first birthday and separated by at least 4 weeks.
Hepatitis A	5K – 5	Two (2) doses ofHepatitisA vaccine with both doses received on or after the first birthday and separated by at least 6 months.
HepatitisB	5K – 12	Three(3) doses of hepatitis B Vaccine, with the third dose received >24 weeks of age and at least 16 weeks after the first dose.
Varicella	5K – 11	Two (2) doses of varicella vaccine with both doses received on or after the first birthday and separated by at least 4 weeks or a positive history of disease.
	12	One (1) dose of varicella vaccine received on or after the first birthday or positive history of disease.

Please note:

- Children enrolled in 4K programs and younger must meet Childcare Requirements, even if attendance is in a school setting.
- Children enrolled in 5K through Grade 12 must meet School Requirements