Vaccines Required for School Entry in Michigan

Whenever children are in group settings, there is a chance for disease to spread. Parents must follow state vaccine laws in order for their children to attend school. These laws are the minimum standard for preventing disease outbreaks in group settings. The best way to protect children from serious diseases is to follow the recommended vaccination schedule at www.CDC.gov/Vaccines. When following the recommended schedule children are fully protected and any school vaccination requirements are met.

	All kindergartners and 4–6-year-old transfer students	All 7th graders and 7–18-year-old transfer students
Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTP, DTaP, Tdap)[1]	4 doses DTP or DTaP 1 dose must be at or after 4 years of age	4 doses diphtheria and tetanus or 3 doses if 1st dose given on or after 1 year of age 1 dose Tdap at 11 years of age or older upon entry into 7th grade or higher
Polio[1]	4 doses or 3 doses if dose 3 was given on or after 4 years of age	
Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)[1, 2]	2 doses at or after 12 months of age	
Hepatitis B[1, 2]	3 doses	
Meningococcal Conjugate (MenACWY)[1]	None	1 dose at 11 years of age or older upon entry into 7th grade or higher
Varicella (Chickenpox)[1, 2]	2 doses at or after 12 months of age or current lab immunity or history of varicella disease	

[1]Vaccines should be given at certain ages and at certain times (follow CDC Immunization Schedule for the recommended number of doses, correct spacing, and ages); this chart is based on Michigan school immunization requirements. We strongly encourage parents and providers to follow the CDC recommended schedule because school requirements are the minimum for protection. Follow this chart when assessing immunization status for school immunization requirements.[2] If the child has not received these vaccines, documented immunity/waiver is required. During disease outbreaks, incompletely vaccinated children may be excluded from school. Parents and guardians choosing to decline vaccines must obtain a certified non-medical waiver from a local health department. Read more about waivers at www.michigan.gov/immunize. The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) does not discriminate against any individual or group on the basis of race, national origin, color, sex, disability, religion, age, height, weight, familial status, partisan considerations, or genetic information. Sex-based discrimination includes, but is not limited to, discrimination based on sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, sex characteristics, and pregnancy.

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