

Vaccines Required for School in Washington State



	DTaP/Tdap (Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis)	Hepatitis B	Hib (<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type B)	MMR (Measles, mumps, rubella)	PCV (Pneumococcal Conjugate)	Polio	Varicella (Chickenpox)
Preschool Age 19 months to less than 4 years on September 1 ⁽²⁾	4 doses DTaP	3 doses	3 or 4 doses ⁽¹⁾ (depending on vaccine)	1 dose	4 doses ⁽¹⁾	3 doses	1 dose
Preschool/Transitional Kindergarten 4 years of age or older on September 1 ⁽³⁾	5 doses DTaP ⁽¹⁾	3 doses	3 or 4 doses ⁽¹⁾ (depending on vaccine) <i>Not required at 5 years of age or older</i>	2 doses	4 doses ⁽¹⁾ <i>Not required at 5 years of age or older</i>	4 doses ⁽¹⁾	2 doses
Kindergarten through 6th grades	5 doses DTaP ⁽¹⁾	3 doses	Not Required	2 doses	Not Required	4 doses ⁽¹⁾	2 doses
7th through 12th grades ⁽⁴⁾	5 doses DTaP <i>Plus Tdap at age >10 years</i>	3 doses	Not Required	2 doses	Not Required	4 doses ⁽¹⁾	2 doses

⁽¹⁾ Vaccine doses may be acceptable with fewer than listed depending on when they were given.

⁽²⁾ Students who turn 4 after 09/01 do not need to meet the requirements for Preschool/Transitional Kindergarten age >4 years until the next school year.

⁽³⁾ Must have additional DTaP, IPV, MMR, and varicella vaccine by the first day of school or within 30 days after the 4th birthday, whichever is later.

⁽⁴⁾ Students in adult transition programs need to follow the Grade 12 requirements.

See the Minimum Age and Interval Table on page 2 for required minimum age and spacing information of vaccine doses.

Find information on other important vaccines not required for school at: www.immunize.org/cdc/schedules.

Review the Individual Vaccine Requirements Summary (IVRS) for more detailed information. Find it in the immunization requirements section on <https://doh.wa.gov/scci>.

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Vaccine	Dose #	Minimum Age*	Minimum Interval from Previous Dose*	Notes
Hepatitis B (Hep B)	Dose 1	Birth		2 doses are acceptable if both doses are documented as adult doses of Recombivax HB* given at age 11 through 15 years. The doses must be separated by at least 4 months.
	Dose 2	4 weeks	4 weeks after dose 1	
	Dose 3	24 weeks	8 weeks after dose 2 AND 16 weeks after dose 1	
Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Pertussis (DTaP and Tdap)	Dose 1	6 weeks		In the 5-dose schedule a 6-month interval is recommended between dose 3 and dose 4, but a minimum interval of 4 months is acceptable on record review.
	Dose 2	10 weeks	4 weeks after dose 1	
	Dose 3	14 weeks	4 weeks after dose 2	Dose 5 is not needed if dose 4 is given on or after the 4 th birthday and is at least 6 months after the previous dose.
	Dose 4	12 months	6 months after dose 3	
	Dose 5	4 years	6 months after dose 4	DTaP is given to children through age 6. If catch-up doses are needed at age 7+, Tdap is used followed by additional doses of Tdap or Td if needed. See the IVRS for the catch-up schedule.
	Tdap	10 years*		
Haemophilus influenzae type B (Hib)	Dose 1	6 weeks		Only 3 doses are needed If both dose 1 and 2 are PedvaxHib. Dose 3 must be given at 12 months of age or older and at least 8 weeks after dose 2.
	Dose 2	10 weeks	4 weeks after dose 1	
	Dose 3	14 weeks	4 weeks after dose 2	The vaccine series may be completed with fewer doses than listed depending on the child's age when they were given. Review the Hib chart in the IVRS for doses required.
	Dose 4	12 months	8 weeks after dose 3	
Pneumococcal Conjugate (PCV13, PCV15 or PCV20)	Dose 1	6 weeks		The vaccine series may be completed with fewer doses than listed depending on the child's age when they were given. Review the PCV chart in the IVRS for doses required.
	Dose 2	10 weeks	4 weeks after dose 1	
	Dose 3	14 weeks	4 weeks after dose 2	The vaccine is not required at age 5 or older because it is not routinely given after this age.
	Dose 4	12 months	8 weeks after dose 3	
Polio (IPV or OPV)	Dose 1	6 weeks		The child does not need dose 4 if dose 3 is given on or after the 4 th birthday and it was given at least 6 months the previous dose.
	Dose 2	10 weeks	4 weeks after dose 1	
	Dose 3	14 weeks	4 weeks after dose 2	OPV given on or after 04/01/16 cannot be accepted as a valid dose in the series. Review the IVRS for more information.
	Dose 4	4 years	6 months after dose 3	
Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (MMR or MMRV)	Dose 1	12 months		MMR must be given the same day as other live vaccines (varicella, FluMist, Yellow Fever) or at least 28 days apart. See footnote*.
	Dose 2	13 months	4 weeks after dose 1	
Varicella (Chickenpox) (varicella or MMRV)	Dose 1	12 months		For age 1 through 12 years a 28-day minimum interval is acceptable on record review.
	Dose 2	15 months	- Age 1 through 12 years: 3 months after dose 1 - Age 13 and older: 4 weeks after dose 1	Varicella must be given the same day as other live vaccines (MMR, FluMist, Yellow Fever) or at least 28 days apart. See footnote*. Healthcare provider verification of disease history is acceptable to document immunity.

*The 4 day grace period can be applied to all doses except between two doses of different live vaccines (such as MMR, MMRV, varicella, and Flumist) and the Tdap booster minimum age. Review the Individual Vaccine Requirements Summary (IVRS) for more detailed information. Find it in the immunization requirements section of the <https://doh.wa.gov/scci> web page.