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Texas Department of State Health Services

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RE: Required Immunizations for the 2026-2027 School Year

Dear Parents/Guardians of Texas Students, Kindergarten through 12th Grade:

This is a reminder to vaccinate your child before the busy back-to-school rush. State law requires all students enrolled in Texas schools must receive specific vaccines to protect the health, of the children, and the community against vaccine-preventable diseases.

Refer to the "Texas Minimum State Vaccine Requirements for Students in Grades K-12" to find the vaccines required for your child's grade level. You can view or download this document from the Department of State Health Services (DSHS) Immunization Section website at dshs.texas.gov/immunizations/school.

Contact your child's health care provider or local health department to find locations providing vaccines. Students cannot attend school without valid proof that your child received the required vaccines or a medical or conscientious exemption form. Valid proof of immunizations would be a valid immunization record with the required immunizations needed for the grade level.

Consult your health care provider or local health department if you have any questions about vaccines. Visit the DSHS Immunization Section website at dshs.texas.gov/immunizations, call 800-252-9152, or email Immunization.Info@dshs.texas.gov to learn more.

Thank you for keeping your child immunized and free from vaccine-preventable diseases. We wish you a rewarding and productive 2026-2027 school year!

Sincerely,

Texas Department of State Health Services
Immunization Section