

Immunization Requirements for the 2025 - 2026 School Year

K.A.R. 28-1-20 defines immunizations required for any individual who attends school or a childcare program operated by a school. Below are the requirements for the indicated school year. Please carefully review the requirements. The usual number of doses required are listed; however there are exceptional circumstances that could alter the number of doses a child needs. If you have questions about your child's immunization status, contact your child's primary care provider or local health department.



Proof of receiving the required immunizations must be provided to the school prior to the student attending the first day of school.

Early Childhood Program Operated by a School Ages 4 Years and Under

Vaccine	Requirement
DTaP/DT (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis)	4 doses
IPV (polio)	3 doses
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	1 dose
Varicella (chickenpox)	1 dose*
Hepatitis A	2 doses
Hepatitis B	3 doses
Hib (haemophilus influenza type B)	3-4 doses**
PCV (pneumococcal conjugate)	4 doses**

KDG - Grade 6

Vaccine	Requirement
DTaP/DT (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis)	5 doses
IPV (polio)	4 doses***
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	2 doses
Varicella (chickenpox)	2 doses*
Hepatitis A	2 doses
Hepatitis B	3 doses

Grade 7 - 10

Vaccine	Requirement
Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis)	1 dose~
IPV (polio)	4 doses***
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	2 doses
Varicella (chickenpox)	2 doses*
Hepatitis A	2 doses
Hepatitis B	3 doses
Meningococcal (MenACWY)	1 dose

Grades 11 & 12

Vaccine	Requirement
Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis)	1 dose~
IPV (polio)	4 doses***
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	2 doses
Varicella (chickenpox)	2 doses*
Hepatitis A	2 doses
Hepatitis B	3 doses
Meningococcal (MenACWY)	1-2 doses <i>See below:</i>

Meningococcal (MenACWY) Vaccine:

Two doses are required for 11th and 12th grade students. The 1st dose is due at entry to 7th grade at 11-12 years of age. The 2nd dose is due at entry to 11th grade at 16-18 years of age. Any 11th graders who are not yet 16 years old, should wait until their 16th birthday to receive the dose. *Those 16-18 year olds with no previous MenACWY vaccine, only one dose required.*

Notes

* Varicella (chickenpox) vaccine is not required if child has had disease **and** disease is documented by physician signature. Without a physician signature, vaccine is still required even if you believe your child has had chickenpox disease.

** Total doses needed depend on vaccine type and child's age when doses were administered.

*** Three doses are acceptable if the 3rd dose was given after 4 years of age, and there are at least 6 months between the second and third doses.

~ All students in grades 7-12 must have one dose of Tdap regardless of the interval since the last dose of DTaP or Td.

Additional ACIP RECOMMENDED Vaccines

Not Required for School Entry

HPV (Human Papillomavirus) Vaccine:

2 doses recommended at age 11 years *See below:*
 2 doses needed if series is started at 11-14 years
 3 doses needed if series is started at 15 years or older

Influenza (Flu) Vaccine and COVID-19 Vaccine:

Annual vaccine recommended for everyone 6 months of age and older