

Immunization Requirements for the 2012 - 2013 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. There are changes in requirements for immunizations for the upcoming school year.

Please carefully review the requirements below. 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 immunizations must be provided to the school prior to 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 doses
Prevnar (pneumococcal conjugate)	4 doses

Kindergarten - Grade 3

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

Grades 4 - 6

Vaccine	Requirement
DTaP/DT (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis)	5 doses
IPV (polio)	4 doses
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	2 doses
Varicella (chickenpox)	1 dose**
Hepatitis B	3 doses

Grades 7 - 8

Vaccine	Requirement
Tdap	1 dose***
IPV (polio)	4 doses
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	2 doses
Varicella (chickenpox)	2 doses*
Hepatitis B	3 doses

Additional ACIP Recommended Vaccines, NOT REQUIRED for School Entry

- Influenza (flu) vaccine yearly for everyone 6 months and older
- Meningitis vaccine at age 11 years and a booster at age 16 years
- HPV vaccine (a three dose series) at age 11-12 years

School Entry Physicals

Any new early childhood program or kindergarten student will need a school entry physical completed within 12 months prior to the first day of school.

New students under the age of 9 years who are attending a Kansas school for the first time, also require a physical as described above.

Documentation of the physical must be provided to the school prior to attending.

Grades 9 - 10

Vaccine	Requirement
Tdap	1 dose***
IPV (polio)	4 doses
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	2 doses
Varicella (chickenpox)	1 dose**
Hepatitis B	3 doses

Grades 11 - 12

Vaccine	Requirement
Tdap	1 dose****
IPV (polio)	4 doses
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	2 doses
Varicella (chickenpox)	1 dose**
Hepatitis B	3 doses

* Varicella (chickenpox) vaccine is not required if child has had chickenpox disease **and** disease is documented by a physician signature.

Without a physician signature, vaccine is required even if you believe your child has had chickenpox disease.

** Although 1 dose of varicella is required for school attendance, 2 doses are recommended by the ACIP (Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices).

*** All 7th - 10th graders are required to have one dose of Tdap regardless of the interval since the last dose of Td (tetanus/diphtheria). This is to improve pertussis (whooping cough) immunity due to increasing outbreaks.

**** All 11th - 12th graders are required to have 1 dose of Tdap if there has been more than 10 years from the previous DTaP (pertussis containing vaccine). This is to improve pertussis (whooping cough) immunity due to increasing outbreaks.

