

Important
Announcement

Parents of entering Kindergarten/DK/Pre-K/Young 5 students
and new school district students in grades 1-6

IMMUNIZATION & WAIVER INFORMATION



Since 1978, Michigan law (PH Code: 333.9208) requires that each student possess a certificate of immunization or valid immunization waiver at the time of registration or no later than the first day of school upon entry into kindergarten, 7th grade, or into a new school district involving grades 1-12.

A student who fails to meet the immunization requirement or have a valid waiver, shall not be admitted to school.

Students entering Kindergarten/DK/Pre-K/Young 5s need to have the following immunizations by the start of school:

- 4 doses of DTP or DTaP, one dose must be after 4 years of age
- 4 doses of polio. Only 3 doses of polio are required, if dose 3 is given on or after the 4th birthday
- 2 doses of MMR (measles/mumps/rubella) vaccine at or after 1 year of age
- 3 doses of Hepatitis B vaccine
 - 2 doses of varicella (chickenpox) vaccine at or after 1 year of age OR evidence of immunity (blood test) OR physician documented history of chickenpox disease

The Advisory Council on Immunizations (ACIP) also recommends the following immunizations for children:

- Hepatitis A
- Flu (*seasonal*)

If a parent is waiving one or more vaccines, which are required for their child to enter school, the parent will need to make an appointment at their local health department to obtain a **NEW** waiver prior to the start of school.

A student, who fails to meet the immunization requirement or have a valid waiver, will not be admitted to school.

For questions and additional information, please call 616-396-5266.

More information at www.miOttawa.org/immunize



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