

Vaccine Requirements For Children
Enrolled in Preschool Programs and in Schools
Maryland School Year 2017 - 2018 (Valid 9/1/17 - 8/31/18)

FOOTNOTES

Requirements for the 2017-18 school year are:

- 2 doses of Varicella vaccine for entry into Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd AND 3rd Grade
- 1 dose of Tdap vaccine for entry into 7th, 8th, 9th AND 10th grades
- 1 dose of Meningococcal vaccine for entry into 7th, 8th, 9th AND 10th grades

Instructions: On the chart locate the student's age or grade and read from left to right on the chart to determine the NUMBER of required vaccinations by age or grade. Dosing or spacing intervals should not be considered when determining if the requirement is met, only count the number of doses needed. MMR and Varicella vaccination dates should be evaluated (See footnote #4).

1. If DT vaccine is given in place of DTP or DTaP, a physician documented medical contraindication is required.
2. Proof of immunity by positive blood test is acceptable in lieu of vaccine history for hepatitis B, polio and measles, mumps, rubella and varicella, **but revaccination may be more expedient.**
3. Hib and PCV(Prevnar™) are not required for children older than 59 months (5 years) of age.
4. All doses of measles, mumps, rubella and varicella vaccines should be given on or after the first birthday. However, upon record review for students in preschool through 12th grade, a preschool or school may count as valid vaccine doses administered less than or equal to four (4) days before the first birthday.
5. One dose of varicella (chickenpox) is required for a student younger than 13 years of age. Two doses of varicella vaccine are required for students entering Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade and for previously unvaccinated students 13 years of age or older. Medical diagnosis of varicella disease is acceptable in lieu of vaccination. Medical diagnosis is documented history of disease provided by a health care provider. Documentation must include month and year.
6. Four (4) doses of DTP/DTaP are required for children less than 7 years old. Three (3) doses of tetanus and diphtheria containing vaccine (any combination of the following — DTP, DTaP, Tdap, DT or Td) are required for children 7 years of age and older. One dose of Tdap vaccine received prior to entering 7th grade is acceptable and should be counted as a dose that fulfills the Tdap requirement.
7. Polio vaccine is not required for persons 18 years of age and older.