



The WLS School Nurses are reminding parents of current sixth graders of the Tdap immunization requirement for incoming 7th graders. The Tdap vaccine protects against tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis (whooping cough). Your 6th grader received a similar version of this vaccine prior to kindergarten entry. It is not too soon to schedule an appointment with your physician for this vaccine as appointments fill quickly in the summer. This vaccine can also be obtained through the Lucas County Health Department. Information on their services can be viewed at: <http://www.co.lucas.oh.us/index.aspx?NID=743>

Immunization Requirements

Below is a list of the **required** immunization students must have to meet the requirements for school attendance in the State of Ohio. There are also several immunizations that are not required for school attendance but are **recommended** by several major medical organizations. These immunizations are also listed below.

ALL students must have a complete vaccination record on file at school within 15 days of attendance. If you have any questions regarding the requirements or your child's immunization record please contact your child's school nurse.

REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS

| <i>Vaccine</i> | <i>Requirement</i> |
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| DTaP/DTP/Tdap/Td Diphtheria, tetanus, pertusis | Kindergarten 5 doses of DTaP, DTP, or DT, or any combination, if the fourth dose was administered prior to the 4 th birthday Grades 1-12 3-4 doses of DTaP, DTP, DT or Td or any combination. Grades 7-12 1 dose of Tdap or Td vaccine must be administered prior to entry. (Required by 7th grade orientation on 8/13/2013) |
| Polio | K-5 A minimum of 3 doses. The final dose must have been given on or after the 4 th birthday, regardless of the number of previous doses; 4 doses if a combination of OPV and IPV was administered. Grades 6-12 4 doses if a combination of OPV and IPV was administered. 4 doses of all OPV or all IPV is required if the third dose of either vaccine was administered prior to the 4 th birthday. |
| MMR Measles, mumps, rubella | K-12 2 doses of MMR. Dose 1 must be administered on or after the first birthday. The second dose must be administered at least 28 days after dose 1. |
| Hep B Hepatitis B | K-12 3 doses of Hepatitis B. The second dose must be administered at least 28 days after the first dose. The third dose must be given at least 16 weeks after the first dose and at least 8 weeks after the second dose. The last dose in the series (third or fourth dose), must not be administered before age 24 weeks. |
| Varicella Chicken Pox | K-5 2 doses of varicella vaccine must be administered prior to entry. Grade 6-9 1 dose of varicella vaccine must be administered on or after the first birthday. |

RECOMMENDED IMMUNIZATIONS

(Not required for school but recommended by the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American Academy of Family Physicians, and the CDC)

| <i>Vaccine</i> | <i>Requirement</i> |
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| Meningococcal (MCV4) | 1 dose at age 11-12 years, with a booster dose at age 16. Adolescents are at risk for the bacterial infection, Meningitis. This vaccine protects teens from Meningitis. |
| Human Papillomavirus (HPV) | This is a series of 3 vaccines begun at age 11-12 years. This immunization protects against Human Papillomavirus which is the leading cause of cervical cancer in women and genital warts in men and women. The vaccine is only given until age 18. |