



Allentown, Pennsylvania

**IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR KINDERGARTEN AND ORIGINAL ENTRY ENROLLMENTS**

The Pennsylvania Department of Health requires that all children at any grade, K through 12, show written proof of the following immunizations before they can attend school in the Commonwealth. The Allentown School District additionally requires the following immunizations for admission into all district-operated preschool programs.

***Diphtheria.*** Four or more properly-spaced doses of diphtheria toxoid, which may be administered as a single antigen vaccine or in a combination form. The fourth dose shall be administered on or after the 4th birthday.

***Tetanus.*** Four or more properly-spaced doses of tetanus toxoid, which may be administered as a single antigen vaccine or in a combination form. The fourth dose shall be administered on or after the 4th birthday.

***Poliomyelitis.*** Three or more properly spaced doses polio vaccine. The fourth dose shall be administered on or after the 4th birthday.

***Measles (rubeola).*** Two properly-spaced doses of live attenuated measles vaccine, the first dose administered at 12 months of age or older, or a history of measles immunity proved by laboratory testing by a laboratory with the appropriate certification. May be administered as a single antigen vaccine or in a combination form.

***German measles (rubella).*** One dose of live attenuated rubella vaccine, administered at 12 months of age or older or a history of rubella immunity proved by laboratory testing by a laboratory with the appropriate certification. Rubella vaccine may be administered as a single antigen vaccine or in a combination form.

***Mumps.*** Two properly-spaced doses of live attenuated mumps vaccine, administered at 12 months of age or older or a physician diagnosis of mumps disease indicated by a written record signed by the physician or the physician's designee. Mumps vaccine may be administered as a single antigen vaccine or in a combination form.

***Hepatitis B.*** Three properly-spaced doses of hepatitis B vaccine, unless a child receives a vaccine as approved by the Food and Drug Administration for a two-dose regimen, or a history of hepatitis B immunity proved by laboratory testing. Hepatitis B vaccine may be administered as single antigen vaccine or in a combination form.

***Varicella.*** One of the following:

- Two properly-spaced doses of varicella vaccine, the first dose administered at 12 months of age or older. Varicella vaccine may be administered as a single antigen vaccine or in a combination form.
- A history of chickenpox immunity proved by laboratory testing or a written statement of history of disease from the parent, guardian, or physician.

***Required for 7th grade.***

***Meningococcal Conjugate Vaccine (MCV4)*** - One does of MCV4.

***Tdap-*** 1dose if at least 5 years elapsed since the last dose of vaccine containing tetanus and diphtheria

***Required for entry into 12th grade.***

***Meningococcal Conjugate Vaccine (MCV4)*** - One dose given at 16 years of age or older of MCV4.

**\*On the first day of school, if child does not have all doses listed above, or needs additional doses; child must receive that dose within the first 5 days of school or risk exclusion. If next dose is not the final dose, the parent/guardian must provide a medical plan within the next 5 days of school for obtaining required immunizations or risk exclusion.**

**\*If the requirements are not met, the school administrator shall undertake exclusion procedures.**

Exceptions to immunizations: Medical (letter from Physician) or Religious Convictions (letter from Parent).