

SCHOOL VACCINATION REQUIREMENTS

FOR ATTENDANCE IN SAINT ANDREW CATHOLIC SCHOOL

FOR ATTENDANCE IN ALL GRADES CHILDREN NEED THE FOLLOWING:

- 4 doses of tetanus, diphtheria, and acellular pertussis* (1 dose on or after the 4th birthday)
- 4 doses of polio (4th dose on or after 4th birthday and at least 6 months after previous dose given)**
- 2 doses of measles, mumps, rubella***
- 3 doses of hepatitis B
- 2 doses of varicella (chickenpox) or evidence of immunity

**Usually given as DTP or DToP or if medically advisable, DT or Td*

***A fourth dose is not necessary if the third dose was administered at age 4 years or older and at least 6 months after the previous dose*

****Usually given as MMR*

ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL, unless the child has a medical exemption, a child must have had at least one dose of the above vaccinations or risk exclusion.

*If a child does not have all the doses listed above, needs additional doses, and the next dose is medically appropriate, the child must receive the dose within the first five days of school or risk exclusion. If the next dose is not the final dose of the series, the child must also provide a medical plan (red and white card) within the first five days of school for obtaining the required immunizations or risk exclusion.

*If a child does not have all the doses listed above, needs additional doses, and the next dose is not medically appropriate, the child must provide a medical plan (red and white card) within the first five days of school for obtaining the required immunizations or risk exclusion.

*The medical plan must be followed or risk exclusion.

FOR ATTENDANCE IN 7TH GRADE:

- 1 dose of tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis (Tdap) by the first day of 7th grade
- 1 dose of meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV) by the first day of 7th grade

ON THE FIRST DAY OF 7TH GRADE, unless the child has a medical exemption, a child must have had the above vaccines or risk exclusion.

The vaccines required for entrance to 7th grade continue to be required in each succeeding school year.

These requirements only allow for medical exemptions. Even if your child is exempt from immunizations, he or she may be excluded from school during an outbreak of vaccine preventable disease.

Pennsylvania's school immunization requirements can be found in 28 Pa.CODE CH.23 (School Immunization). Contact your healthcare provider or call 1-877-PA-HEALTH for more information.