



Important Notice to Parents and Guardians about Immunizations

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Dear Parent or Guardian:

California Health and Safety Code sections 120325-120375 state that children in California are required to receive certain immunizations in order to attend public elementary and secondary schools.

In order for your child to enroll in public school, you will need to submit documentation that your child has received the required immunizations. **Students who do not meet the immunization requirements will not be able to attend school.** Immunizations needed for school entry are also doctor-recommended immunizations. Please contact your child's doctor about these immunizations.

Under California law, immunizations required for school may no longer be excused due to personal beliefs, including religious beliefs. Personal beliefs exemptions that have already been filed for students in grades K (including transitional kindergarten) through 6th grade remain valid until the student reaches 7th grade.

Please work with the school nurse if your child has a medical exemption.

Thank you for helping us keep your child, our school, and our community safe and healthy.

Sincerely,

MJUSD Health Services Department

PARENTS' GUIDE TO IMMUNIZATIONS REQUIRED FOR SCHOOL ENTRY



Starting July 1, 2019

Students Admitted at TK/K-12 Need:

- **Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Pertussis (DTaP, DTP, Tdap, or Td) — 5 doses**
(4 doses OK if one was given on or after 4th birthday.
3 doses OK if one was given on or after 7th birthday.)
For 7th-12th graders, at least 1 dose of pertussis-containing vaccine is required on or after 7th birthday.
- **Polio (OPV or IPV) — 4 doses**
(3 doses OK if one was given on or after 4th birthday)
- **Hepatitis B — 3 doses**
(Not required for 7th grade entry)
- **Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (MMR) — 2 doses**
(Both given on or after 1st birthday)
- **Varicella (Chickenpox) — 2 doses**

These immunization requirements apply to new admissions and transfers for all grades, including transitional kindergarten.

Students Starting 7th Grade Need:

- **Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis (Tdap) — 1 dose**
(Whooping cough booster usually given at 11 years and up)
- **Varicella (Chickenpox) — 2 doses**
(Usually given at ages 12 months and 4-6 years)

In addition, the TK/K-12 immunization requirements apply to 7th graders who:

- previously had a valid personal beliefs exemption filed before 2016 upon entry between TK/Kindergarten and 6th grade
- are new admissions

Records:

California schools are required to check immunization records for all new student admissions at TK/Kindergarten through 12th grade and all students advancing to 7th grade before entry. Parents must show their child's Immunization Record as proof of immunization.