

Bald Knob Public Schools

Department of Health Services

Do the new Immunization Requirements for the 2014-2015 school year affect your child?

Please read the new requirements carefully. This will affect many students in our school. The Arkansas State Board of Health has revised and clarified the immunization requirements under **Ark. Code Ann. §§ 20-7-109, 6-18-702, 6-60-501-504, and 20-78-206**. The updated requirements for entrance into Kindergarten and grades 1st thru 12th are as follows:

- 4 doses of **DTP/DT/Td/DTaP**, with 1 dose on or after the 4th birthday. **ALL STUDENTS K-12**
- 3 doses of **Polio** vaccine, with 1 dose on or after the 4th birthday. **ALL STUDENTS K-12**
- 2 doses of **MMR** (measles, mumps, rubella), with 1 dose on or after 1st birthday. **ALL STUDENTS K-12**
- 3 doses of **Hepatitis B** vaccine. (3rd dose must be 8 weeks from 2nd dose and 16 weeks from 1st dose) **ALL STUDENTS K-12**
- 2 doses of **Varicella** will be required. (**Physician documentation only for history of disease will be accepted**) **ALL STUDENTS K-12**
- Kindergarten and 1st grade students will be required to have 1 dose of **Hepatitis A**. **KINDERGARTEN AND 1ST GRADE**
- ALL students 11 years and older by September 1st of each year will be required to have a **TDaP** vaccination. **ANY STUDENT AGE 11 AND OLDER**
- All 7th graders will be required to have one dose of **MCV4** (Meningococcal) vaccine with a second dose administered at age 16. If not vaccinated prior to age 16 years, 1 dose is required for all students who are age 16 on or before September 1st of each year. Students age 17 and older will not be required to receive the MCV4 vaccination although it is still recommended by the CDC. **ALL 7TH GRADE STUDENTS AND STUDENTS WHO WILL BE 16 BY SEPTEMBER 1ST**

Please be prepared to provide a copy of the child's updated immunization records during registration. If you take your child to receive these shots for entrance into the school prior to the end of the current school year, please send a copy of the shot records to the current school nurse.

Immunizations requirements have changed. Please check with your Physician or Health Department to ensure your student will be in compliance. Please do not wait until the end of the summer to make sure your child is in compliance with the new regulations.

The White County Health Department has set aside the following dates for school immunizations. You still must call and make an appointment for vaccinations.

White County Searcy, 501-268-6102

White County Beebe, 501-882-5128

May 5th and 19th all day

May 30th all day

June 2nd and 16th all day

June 13th and 27th afternoons

July 7th and 21st all day

July 11th and 25th afternoons

August 8th all day

Thank you for your cooperation.

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