

ADD IMMUNIZATIONS TO SCHOOL SUPPLY LISTS - REQUIRED FOR KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 12TH GRADE

Immunizations are an important part of a child's health, and Missouri law requires children enrolled in kindergarten through 12th grade to be immunized against certain vaccine-preventable diseases.

School-aged children must be immunized against diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, polio, measles, rubella, mumps, hepatitis B, and varicella.

Student's immunizations must be kept up to date. Student's will not be allowed to attend school until a copy of current immunizations has been brought to the nurse. State regulation specifies that an individual cannot attend until all required immunizations are current.

Remember, if your child is entering 8th grade he/she must have a TDAP booster and a Meningitis vaccine to be compliant with state requirements.

If your child is entering 12th grade he/she will need a Meningitis vaccine.

If your child is entering Kindergarten he/she must have DTaP, polio, measles, mumps, rubella and varicella.

A religious exemption can be filed for selected vaccines or for all vaccines. Parents and guardians should indicate which vaccines are included on the Religious Immunization Exemption. The exemption can be obtained from the local health department/or physicians office and must be updated annually. A copy of the religious exempt must be given to the school nurse.

You may contact the nurse with any questions regarding this matter.

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