

Vaccines Required for School Attendance, Preschool -12th Grade



VACCINE	PRESCHOOL ¹	KINDERGARTEN - 12 TH GRADE
Haemophilus influenza Type B (Hib)	1 dose (given on or after the 1 st birthday, unless child is older than 59 months) ²	None Needed
Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Pertussis (DTaP, DT, Td, Tdap)	4 doses	4 doses (4 doses only if 4 th dose given on or after 4 th birthday) ^{3,4} Plus 1 dose of Tdap (prior to entering 7 th grade) ⁶
Polio (IPV or OPV)	3 doses	3 doses (3 doses only if 3 rd dose given on or after 4 th birthday)
Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (MMR)	1 dose (dose must be given on or after 1 st birthday)	2 doses (first dose must be given on or after 1 st birthday, and spacing between doses is 4 weeks)
Varicella “chickenpox” (Var)	1 dose (dose must be given on or after 1 st birthday) ⁵	2 doses (first dose must be given on or after 1 st birthday, spacing between doses is 12 weeks for children under 13 years, and 4 weeks for those older than 13 years) ^{5,6}

¹Per MCA 20-5-402 a preschool is defined as a facility that provides, on a regular basis and as its primary purpose, educational instruction designed for children 5 years of age or younger and that: (a) serves no child under 5 years of age for more than 3 hours a day; and (b) serves no child 5 years of age for more than 6 hours a day.

²Hib vaccine is not recommended for children older than 59 months.

³DT vaccine administered to pupils less than seven years of age is acceptable only if accompanied by a medical exemption that exempts the pupil from pertussis vaccination per ARM 37.114.705.

⁴A pupil 7 years or older who has not completed the DTaP requirement must receive additional doses of Tdap vaccine or Td vaccine to become current in accordance with the ACIP schedule per ARM 37.114.705.

⁵While it is not recommended, if a child younger than 13 years receives their second dose of varicella at an interval of 4 weeks or longer, the dose does **not** need to be repeated.

⁶As of October 1, 2015 pupils are required to have varicella vaccine and all pupils 7th-12th grade must have a Tdap vaccine.

Note: A four day grace period may apply, as appropriate, per the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practice (ACIP) recommendations.