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Office of School Health 30-30 47th Avenue, Long Island City, NY 11101 Dear Parent or Guardian,

New York City has updated the school immunization requirements for the 2022-2023 school year. A list of these requirements for 2022-2023 is included with this letter. Before the school year begins, you must submit proof of immunization for your child if they are attending childcare or school.

All students in childcare through grade 12 must meet the requirements for:

 The DTaP (diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis), poliovirus, MMR (measles-mumps-rubella), varicella and hepatitis B vaccines.

Children under age 5 who are enrolled in childcare and prekindergarten (pre-K) must also meet the requirements for:

- The Hib (Haemophilus influenza type b) and PCV (pneumococcal conjugate) vaccines.
- The influenza (flu) vaccine: children must receive the flu vaccine by December 31, 2022 (preferably, when it becomes available in early fall).

Children in grades 6 through 12 must also meet the requirements for:

 The Tdap (tetanus-diphtheria-pertussis) booster and MenACWY (meningococcal conjugate) vaccines.

Please review your child's immunization history with your child's health care provider. Their provider can tell you whether additional doses of one or more vaccines are required for your child to attend childcare or school this year. **Please note**: If your child received doses of vaccine BEFORE the minimum age (too early), those doses do NOT count toward the number of doses needed.

If you have questions about these 2022-2023 requirements, please contact your childcare center or school's administrative office.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Lawrence, MD, FAAP

**Medical Director** 

Office of School Health

## **Is Your Child Ready for Child Care or School?**

## Learn about required vaccinations in New York City.

All students ages 2 months to 18 years in New York City must get the following vaccinations to go to childcare or school. Review yourchild's vaccine needs based on their grade level this school year. The number of vaccine doses your child needs may vary based on age and previous vaccine doses received. Your child may need additional vaccines or vaccine doses if they have certain health conditions or if previous doses were given too early.

VACCINATIONS	CHILD CARE, HEAD START, NURSERY, 3K OR PRE- KINDERGARTEN	KINDERGARTEN - Grade 5	GRADES 6 -11	GRADE12
Diphtheria , tetanus, and pertussis (DTaP)	4 doses	5 doses or 4 doses ONLY if the fourth dose was received at age 4 years or older or 3 doses ONLY if the child is age 7 years or older and the series was started at age 1 year or older	3 doses	
Tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis booster (Tdap)		1 dose (at or after age 11 years)		
Polio (IPV or OPV)	3 doses	4 doses or 3 doses if the third dose was received at age 4 years or older		
Measles, mumps and rubella (MMR)	1 dose	2 doses		
Hepatitis B	3 doses	3 doses	3 doses or 2 doses of adult hepatitis B vaccine (Recombivax HB®) if the doses at least 4 months apart between ages of 11 through 15 years	
Varicella (chickenpox)	1 dose	2 doses		
Meningococcal conjugate (MenACWY)			Grade 6: Not applicable Grades 7-11: 1 dose	Grade 12: 2 doses or 1 dose if the first dose was received at age 16 years or older
Haemophilus influenzae type b conjugate (Hib)	1 to 4 doses Depends on child's age and doses previously received			
Pneumococcal conjugate (PCV)	1 to 4 doses Depends on child's age and doses previously received			
Influenza	1 dose			

Talk to your health care provider if you have questions.

For more information call **311** or visit **nyc.gov/health** and search for **student vaccines.** 

