



STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR NEWLY ENROLLED STUDENTS AT CONNECTICUT SCHOOLS 2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR

PRESCHOOL

(Children entering after age 3 but before age 5)

DTaP:	4 doses
Polio:	3 doses
MMR:	1 dose on or after the 1 st birthday
Hib:	1 dose on or after the 1 st birthday
Hep B:	3 doses
Varicella:	1 dose on or after the 1 st birthday or verification of disease



KINDERGARTEN

DTaP:	At least 4 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4 th birthday
Polio:	At least 3 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4 th birthday
MMR:	1 dose on or after the 1 st birthday
Measles:	Second dose of measles vaccine (or MMR), given at least 4 weeks after the first dose
Hib:	Children less than 5 yrs of age need 1 dose at 12 months or older Children 5 and older do not need proof of Hib vaccination
Hep B:	3 doses
Varicella:	1 dose on or after the 1 st birthday or verification of disease

GRADES 1-6

DTaP /Td/Tdap:	At least 4 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4 th birthday. Students who start the series at age 7 or older only need a total of 3 doses.
Polio:	At least 3 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4 th birthday
MMR:	1 dose on or after the 1 st birthday
Measles:	Second dose of measles vaccine (or MMR), given at least 4 weeks after the first dose
Hep B:	3 doses
Varicella:	1 dose on or after the 1 st birthday or verification of disease

GRADE 7-12

Td/Tdap:	At least 3 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4 th birthday Students who start the series at age 7 or older only need a total of 3 doses.
Polio:	At least 3 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4 th birthday
MMR:	1 dose on or after the 1 st birthday
Measles:	Second dose of measles vaccine (or MMR), given at least 4 weeks after the first dose
Hep B:	3 doses
Varicella:	1 dose on or after first birthday or verification of disease: VARICELLA VACCINE: For students <13 years of age, 1 dose given on or after the 1 st birthday. For students 13 years of age or older, 2 doses given at least 4 weeks apart VERIFICATION OF DISEASE: Confirmation in writing by a MD, PA, or APRN that the child has a previous history of disease, based on family or medical history

Important Reminders:

- DTaP vaccine is not given on or after 7th birthday
- DTaP may be given for all doses in the series
- Tdap may be given in lieu of Td vaccine for children 10 years and older. Tdap is only licensed for one dose.
- Hib is not given or required for children 5 years of age or older
- Hep B requirement for school year 2008-2009 applies to all students in grades K-12
Spacing intervals for a valid Hep B series are at least 4 weeks between dose #1 and dose #2; 8 weeks between dose #2 and dose #3; at least 16 weeks between dose #1 and dose #3; dose #3 should not be given before 24 weeks of age.
- Second measles (or MMR) for school year 2008-2009 applies to all students in grades K-12
- Varicella requirements went into effect for any child born on or after 1/1/1997 **and** for students entering 7th grade after August 2000. For 2008-2009, this requirement applies to all students in grades K-12.
- Laboratory confirmation of disease is **only** acceptable for Hepatitis B, MMR, and Varicella

New Entrant Definition:

*New entrants are any students who are new to the school district, including preschoolers and all students coming in from Connecticut private, parochial and charter schools located in the same or another community. All students entering kindergarten, including those moving from any public or private pre-school program, even in the same school district, are considered new entrants. The one exception is students returning from private approved special education placements – they are not considered new entrants.