

MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Immunization Requirements for School Entry

2021-2022 School Year

Immunization	# Doses
DTaP/DT/Td/Tdap	5 doses
Polio	4 doses
Hepatitis B	3 doses
Hib	N/A
MMR	2 doses
Varicella	2 doses (OR physician documented history of chickenpox* or laboratory evidence of immunity acceptable)
Meningococcal	N/A
Influenza	Not required, but recommended for all school-age children

OTHER REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOOL ENTRY:

Physical Exam: The requirements for physical examination of students pursuant to 105 CMR 200.100 (B) should be continued to be followed. An in-person physical exam is required for the following groups of students:

- For students entering school for the first time (typically pre-kindergarten or kindergarten), an in-person physical exam should be conducted one year before or within 90 days of school start.
- A student transferring from another school system shall be examined following the school entry recommendation for students entering school for the first time, listed above.

Lead Screening: The Department of Public Health requires that all children be screened for lead paint poisoning *prior* to entering kindergarten. This regulation became effective in 1989. The lead paint screening is a simple procedure that can be performed in the pediatrician's office at the time of a regular visit.

****Please be sure to have this test completed prior to your child entering Kindergarten and have documented proof on the physical exam form OR a copy of the lab results. ****

Pre-Kindergarten Vision Screening: In accordance with State Law, all incoming kindergarten students must present certification that the student has completed a vision screening within the previous 12 months or within 30 days after school entry.

If you have any questions, please call the Nurse's office at 978-724-3363 x113.

Thank you!

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