

Immunization Requirements and Recommendations 2020-20201

By law, the district must have an immunization record for each student on file. These records should be up-to-date at the time of registration. Records must show the month, day and year of each dose of vaccine and must be validated by a physician's signature or a public health clinic card. Children entering Garland ISD for the first time must present written verification of the required immunizations at the time of enrollment.

Required immunizations are:

- **Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (DTP/DTaP/DT/Td/TdaP)**
Minimum of four (4) doses for ages 15 months through four (4) years. Minimum of four (4) doses for ages five (5) and six (6) years with at least one dose since 4th birthday. Minimum of three (3) doses for ages seven (7) years and older with one dose since 4th birthday. Upon entry into 7th grade, students will be required to have 1 booster dose of a tetanus/diphtheria/pertussis containing vaccine (Tdap) if at least 5 years have passed since the last dose of tetanus-containing vaccine. Students in grades 8-12 are required to have 1 booster dose of a tetanus/diphtheria/pertussis-containing vaccine (Tdap) 10 years after the last tetanus/diphtheria dose. TD is acceptable in place of Tdap if a medical contraindication to pertussis exists.
- **Polio (IPV, OPV)**
Minimum of three (3) doses with at least one (1) dose received since 4th birthday. Not required for persons 18 years of age or older.
- **Measles (Red, Rubeola)**
Two (2) doses of vaccine on or after first birthday. The two (2) doses of vaccine must have been received at least 28 days apart.
- **Rubella (3-day German Measles)**
Two (2) doses of vaccine on or after first birthday for students in grades KN-9. The two (2) doses of vaccine must have been received at least 28 days apart. One (1) dose of vaccine on or after first birthday for EC, PPCD, PK, and grades 10-12.
- **Mumps**
Two (2) doses of vaccine on or after first birthday for students in grades KN-9. The two (2) doses of vaccine must have been received at least 28 days apart. One (1) dose of vaccine on or after first birthday for EC, PPCD, PK, and grades 10-12.
- **Haemophilus Influenzae Type B**
One (1) dose of vaccine on or after 15 months of age or two (2) doses on or after 12 months of age or three (3) doses with 1 on or after 12 months through age 4. History of disease after second birthday must be verified by a signed physician's statement.
- **Hepatitis B**
Three (3) doses of vaccine for students in grades PPCD-12.
- **Chicken Pox (Varicella)**
Two (2) doses of vaccine on or after first birthday for students in grades KN-12. The two doses should be at least 28 days apart. One dose of vaccine on or after first birthday for EC, PPCD, and PK. History of disease accepted with signed physician statement or signed parent validation form.

- **Hepatitis A**
Two (2) doses of vaccine on or after first birthday and six (6) months apart for students in grades EC, PPCD, PK, grades KN-11.
- **Pneumococcal (Prevnar, PCV13)**
One (1) dose of vaccine on or after second birthday, or two (2) doses of vaccine on or after first birthday, or four (4) doses of vaccine in infancy with one (1) after first birthday for students through age 4.
- **Meningococcal (Menactra, MCV4)**
One (1) dose for students in grades 7-12.

Recommended Immunizations

- **Yearly influenza vaccine**
- **Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (TdaP)**
Students in grades 8-12 are recommended to have 1 booster dose of a tetanus/diphtheria/pertussis-containing vaccine (Tdap) 5 years after the last tetanus/diphtheria dose. TD is acceptable in place of Tdap if a medical contraindication to pertussis exists.
- **Rubella (3-day German Measles)**
Two (2) doses of vaccine on or after first birthday for grades 10-12. The two (2) doses of vaccine must have been received at least 28 days apart.
- **Mumps**
Two (2) doses of vaccine on or after first birthday for grades 10-12. The two (2) doses of vaccine must have been received at least 28 days apart.
- **Hepatitis A**
Two (2) doses of vaccine on or after first birthday and six (6) months apart for students in grade 12.
- **Human Papillomavirus (HPV)**
Three (3) doses for ages 9 and up.

Immunization Exemptions

- The State of Texas does allow for exemptions to the immunization requirements based on medical need or reason of conscience; however, both types of exemptions required proper documentation. Visit the [Texas Department of State Health Services](#) school immunization page for more information about immunization exemptions.