

## SCHOOL IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR FEBRUARY 2011

Immunization requirements and recommendations for the 2011-2012 school year are based on the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommendations and the consensus of the Governor's Child Health Advisory Committee Immunization Workgroup.

K.A.R. 28-1-20 defines immunizations required for any individual who attends school or early childhood programs operated by a school. [http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/download/KS\\_Imm\\_Regs\\_for\\_School\\_and\\_Childcare.pdf](http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/download/KS_Imm_Regs_for_School_and_Childcare.pdf)

- **Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTaP):** five doses required. Four doses acceptable if dose 4 given on or after the 4<sup>th</sup> birthday. A single dose of **Tdap** required at grades 7-9 grade if no previous history of Tdap vaccination regardless of interval since the last Td vaccine.  
[http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm6001a4.htm?s\\_cid=mm6001a4\\_e%0d%0a](http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm6001a4.htm?s_cid=mm6001a4_e%0d%0a)
- **Poliomyelitis (IPV/OPV):** four doses required. One dose required after age 4 regardless of the number of previous doses, with a 6 month minimum interval from the previous dose.
- **Measles, Mumps, Rubella:** two doses required.
- **Hepatitis B:** three doses required through grade 11.
- **Varicella (chickenpox):** two doses required for grades K-2 and 7; one dose required for grades 3-6 and 8-11 unless history of varicella disease documented by a licensed physician. Two doses are currently *recommended* by the ACIP for all ages.
- **Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib):** three doses required for children less than 5 yrs of age in early childhood programs. Total doses needed for series completion is dependent on the type of vaccine and the age of the child when doses given.
- **Pneumococcal conjugate (PCV):** four doses required for children less than 5 yrs of age in early childhood programs. Total doses needed dependent on the age of the child when doses given.
- **Hepatitis A:** two doses required for children less than 5 yrs of age in early childhood programs.

Detailed school immunization requirements by age group are listed on the 2-1-11 version of the Kansas Certificate of Immunization (KCI). [http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/download/KCI\\_Form.pdf](http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/download/KCI_Form.pdf)

In addition to the immunizations required for school entry listed above, the 2010 ACIP recommendations also include the following for school children:

- **Meningococcal (MCV4):** one dose *recommended* at 11 years with a booster dose at 16 yrs of age; not required for school entry. [http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm6003a3.htm?s\\_cid=mm6003a3\\_e%0d%0a](http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm6003a3.htm?s_cid=mm6003a3_e%0d%0a)
- **Human Papillomavirus (HPV):** three doses *recommended* for females at 11 years of age and provisionally recommended for males at 11 years of age; not required for school entry.
- **Influenza:** yearly vaccination *recommended* for all ages  $\geq$  6 months of age; not required for school entry.

The complete ACIP recommendations can be found at: <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/ACIP-list.htm>

Efforts by schools have been central to the success of public health efforts in eliminating vaccine preventable diseases and protecting their students and families. Thank you for your dedication.