

2018 - 2019 Texas Minimum State Vaccine Requirements for Students Grades K - 12

This chart summarizes the vaccine requirements incorporated in the Texas Administrative Code (TAC), Title 25 Health Services, §§97.61-97.72. This document is not intended as a substitute for the TAC, which has other provisions and details. The Department of State Health Services (DSHS) is granted authority to set immunization requirements by the Texas Education Code, Chapter 38.

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

A student shall show acceptable evidence of vaccination prior to entry, attendance, or transfer to a child-care facility or public or private elementary or secondary school in Texas.

Vaccine Required (Attention to notes and footnotes)	Minimum Number of Doses Required by Grade Level												Notes		
	Grades K - 6th						Grade 7th	Grades 8th - 12th							
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12		
Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis ¹ (DTaP/DTP/DT/Td/Tdap)	5 doses or 4 doses						3 dose primary series and 1 Tdap / Td booster <i>within the last 5 years</i>	3 dose primary series and 1 Tdap / Td booster <i>within the last 10 years</i>	<p>For K – 6th grade: 5 doses of diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis vaccine; 1 dose must have been received on or after the 4th birthday. However, 4 doses meet the requirement if the 4th dose was received on or after the 4th birthday. For students aged 7 years and older, 3 doses meet the requirement if 1 dose was received on or after the 4th birthday.</p> <p>For 7th grade: 1 dose of Tdap is required if at least 5 years have passed since the last dose of tetanus-containing vaccine.</p> <p>For 8th – 12th grade: 1 dose of Tdap is required when 10 years have passed since the last dose of tetanus-containing vaccine. Td is acceptable in place of Tdap if a medical contraindication to pertussis exists.</p>						
Polio ¹	4 doses or 3 doses												<p>For K – 12th grade: 4 doses of polio; 1 dose must be received on or after the 4th birthday. However, 3 doses meet the requirement if the 3rd dose was received on or after the 4th birthday.</p>		
Measles, Mumps, and Rubella ^{1,2} (MMR)	2 doses												<p>For K – 12th grade: 2 doses are required, with the 1st dose received on or after the 1st birthday. Students vaccinated prior to 2009 with 2 doses of measles and one dose each of rubella and mumps satisfy this requirement.</p>		
Hepatitis B ²	3 doses												<p>For students aged 11 – 15 years, 2 doses meet the requirement if adult hepatitis B vaccine (Recombivax[®]) was received. Dosage (10 mcg /1.0 mL) and type of vaccine (Recombivax[®]) must be clearly documented. If Recombivax[®] was not the vaccine received, a 3-dose series is required.</p>		
Varicella ^{1,2,3}	2 doses												<p>The 1st dose of varicella must be received on or after the 1st birthday. For K – 12th grade: 2 doses are required.</p>		
Meningococcal ¹ (MCV4)							1 dose						<p>For 7th – 12th grade, 1 dose of quadrivalent meningococcal conjugate vaccine is required on or after the student's 11th birthday. Note: If a student received the vaccine at 10 years of age, this will satisfy the requirement.</p>		
Hepatitis A ^{1,2}	2 doses												<p>The 1st dose of hepatitis A must be received on or after the 1st birthday. For K – 9th grade: 2 doses are required.</p>		

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