

California Immunization Requirements for Preschool– 12th Grade

California schools are required to check immunization records before school entry. The following immunization requirements must be met before a student can enroll/attend school. These requirements must also be met when a student transfers to a new school, starts Preschool, Transitional Kindergarten, Kindergarten and/or 7th grade.

WHAT YOU NEED:

At registration, you will need an immunization record showing that your child has received all of the required immunizations. The following are acceptable forms of proof:

1. The California Immunization Record
2. Another immunization records, form, or letter from your doctor with the date each immunization was given to your child

At minimum, the record must show the month and year of each immunization. You may need to call your doctor or clinic to obtain this documentation

REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS:

IMMUNIZATION	DOSE(S)	NOTES
Polio	4 doses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 doses OK if one was given on or after 4th birthday
DTaP	5 doses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tdap or Td if age 7 years or older • 4 doses OK if one was given on or after 4th birthday • 3 doses OK if last one was given on or after 7th birthday. At least one dose must be Tdap or DTaP/DTP given on or after 7th birthday for all 7th-12th graders • At least one dose must be Tdap or DTaP/DTP given on or after the 7th birthday for all 7th – 12th graders
Hepatitis B	3 doses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not required for 7th grade entry
MMR	2 doses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Both doses given on or after 1st birthday
Varicella (Chickenpox)	2 doses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • History of disease is NOT sufficient to waive this immunization. • A Permanent Medical Exception for Immunization(s) (CH-84) is required
Tdap (For 7 th /8 th grade)	1 dose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Or DTP/DTaP given on or after the 7th birthday
Hib (For Childcare/Pre-K only)	4 doses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One dose to be given on or after the 1st birthday

Has your child received all the required immunizations? If not, please make an appointment with your doctor or the San Diego County Public Health Department's immunization clinic. Take your records with you to this appointment. If your child's immunizations are not up date when school starts, your child, by law **will** be excluded from school.

Medical Exemptions

There are two types of exemptions allowed by the California School Immunization Law, temporary and permanent medical exemptions. If your child requires an exemption because of a physical condition or medical circumstance you must present a statement signed by your doctor stating:

Temporary Exemption

1. The specific nature of the physical condition or medical circumstance for which the licensed physician does not recommend immunization
2. The probable duration of the physical condition or medical circumstance
3. Each specific required immunization from which the child is exempt
4. The date that the medical exemption expires for each respective immunization
5. Temporary medical exemptions shall not exceed twelve calendar months from the date of the licensed physician's written statement
6. Verified signing Physician has valid license

Permanent Exemption

1. The specific nature of the physical condition or medical circumstance for which the licensed physician does not recommend immunization
2. That the physical condition or medical circumstance is permanent
3. Each specific required immunization from which the child is exempt
4. Verified signing Physician has valid license

Medical exemptions **must** be dated 2020 for any students enrolling in TK/K and/or 7th grade.

PBE

PBE's filed with a school before January 1, 2016 are valid until entry into the grade span (7th through 12 grade). PBE's may be transferred between schools in California, both within and across school districts.

PBE's from another state or country are **NOT** valid if a student transfers to a California school in 2016 or future years.

If missing documentation, student must meet immunization requirements.

Conditional Admission Schedule for Grades EAK/TK/K-12

Before admission a child must obtain the first dose of each required vaccine and any subsequent doses that are due because the period of time allowed before exclusion has elapsed.

DOSE	EXCLUDE IF NOT GIVEN BY	
Polio #2	8 weeks after 1 st dose	
Polio #3	12 months after 2 nd dose	
Polio #4 ¹	12 months after 3 rd dose	
DTaP #2	8 weeks after 1 st dose	
DTaP #3 ²	8 weeks after 2 nd dose	
DTaP #4 ³	12 months after 3 rd dose	
DTaP #5	12 months after 4 th dose	
Hep B #2	8 weeks after 1 st dose	
Hep B #3	12 months after 2 nd dose and at least 4 months after 1 st dose	
MMR #2	4 months after 1 st dose	
Varicella #2	4 months after 1 st dose	8 weeks after 1 st dose
	• < 13 years	• > 13 years

¹ Three doses of polio vaccine meet the requirement if one dose was given on or after the fourth birthday.

² If DTaP #3 is the final dose, DTaP #3 should be given at least six months after DTaP #2 and pupils should be excluded if not given by 12 months after second dose. Three doses meet the requirement if at least one dose of Tdap, DTaP or DTP vaccine was given on or after the seventh birthday. One or two doses of Td vaccine given on or after the seventh birthday counts towards the requirement.

³ Four doses meet the K-6th grade requirement if at least one dose of Tdap, DTaP or DTP vaccine was given on or after the 4th birthday. One or two doses of Td vaccine given on or after the seventh birthday counts towards the requirement.