ALL STUDENTS ENTERING A NEW YORK CITY (NYC) SCHOOL OR CHILD CARE FOR THE FIRST TIME MUST HAVE A COMPLETE PHYSICAL EXAMINATION AND ALL REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS

The comprehensive medical examination must be documented on a Child Adolescent Health Examination Form (CH205) and include the following:

- **Weight**
- **Body Mass Index**
- **Medical History**
- **Height**
- **Vision Screening**
- **Developmental Assessment**
- **Blood Pressure**
- **Hearing Screening**
- **Nutritional Evaluation**
- **Dental Screening**

All students entering NYC public or private schools or child care (including Universal 3-K and Pre-Kindergarten classes) for the first time must submit a report of a physical examination performed within one year of school entry. Because children develop and grow so quickly at these early ages, if this initial examination is performed before the student is age 5 years, a second examination, performed between the child’s fifth and sixth birthday, is also required. Fillable CH-205 forms that include the student’s pre-populated vaccination histories are available in the NYC Citywide Immunization Registry (CIR). A savable version of the pre-populated CH-205 is also available in the CIR and is accessible for use and updates as needed.

### Required Screening for Child Care Only

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- Lead Screening, Assessment and Testing
  - All children under age 6 years must be assessed annually for lead exposure.
  - Blood lead tests are required for children at ages 1 and 2 years AND other children up to age 6 years if they are at risk of exposure OR if no lead test was previously documented.

### IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS 2019–20

The following immunization requirements are mandated by law for all students between the ages of 2 months and 18 years. Children must be excluded from school if they do not meet these requirements. To be considered fully immunized, a child must have an immunization history that includes all of the following vaccines. The child’s immunization record should be evaluated according to the grade they are attending this school year.

### PROVISIONAL REQUIREMENTS

New students may enter school or child care provisionally with documentation of at least this initial series of immunizations. Once admitted provisionally, subsequent vaccines must be administered in accordance with the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) “catch up” schedule for the child to be considered “in process” and remain in school (refer to [http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/imz/catchup.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/imz/catchup.html)). Alternative schedules are not acceptable. Students must complete the entire series to comply with the law. Students who have not been immunized within the provisional period must be issued exclusion letters and excluded from school or child care until they comply with the requirements.

### IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

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<tr>
<th>CHILD CARE/PRE-KINDERGARTEN</th>
<th>NO. OF DOSES</th>
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<td>DTaP (diphtheria-tetanus-acellular pertussis) OR DTP (diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis)</td>
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<td>DTaP, DTP, DT, Td (tetanus-diphtheria) OR</td>
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<td>IPV (inactivated poliovirus) or OPV (oral poliovirus)</td>
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<td>Vaccine type as appropriate for age.</td>
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<td>MMR (measles-mumps-rubella)</td>
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<td>Tdap (grades six through 12)</td>
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<td>Pneumococcal conjugate (PCV)</td>
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Depending on their influenza vaccine history, some children may need two doses of influenza vaccine. A second dose is not required.

All students who have not been immunized within the provisional period must complete the entire series to comply with the law. Students who have not been immunized within the provisional period must be issued exclusion letters and excluded from school or child care until they comply with the requirements.
1. Documented serologic evidence of immunity to measles, mumps, rubella, hepatitis B, or varicella meets the immunization requirements for these diseases. Diagnosis by a physician, practitioner assistant or nurse practitioner that a child has had varicella disease is acceptable proof of immunity to varicella. Effective 9/1/2019, polio serology is no longer accepted as proof of immunity to poliovirus.

2. Diphtheria and tetanus toxoids and acellular pertussis (DTaP) vaccine

   a. Children starting the series on time should receive a five-dose series of DTaP vaccine at ages 2, 4, 6, 15 through 18 months, and age 4 years or older. The fourth dose may be received as early as age 12 months, provided at least six months have elapsed since the third dose. However, the fourth dose of DTaP need not be repeated if it was administered at least four months after the third dose of DTaP. The final dose in the series must be received on or after the fourth birthday.
   b. If the fourth dose of DTaP was administered at age 4 years or older, the fifth (booster) dose of DTaP vaccine is not necessary.
   c. A sixth dose of DTaP, at least six months after the prior dose, may be required if the fifth dose was received prior to the fourth birthday.
   d. For children born January 1, 2005, only immunity to diphtheria is required, and doses of DT and Td can meet this requirement.
   e. Children ages 4 years and older who are not fully immunized with the childhood DTaP vaccine series should receive Tdap vaccine as the first dose in the catch-up series; if additional doses are needed, use Td vaccine. If the first dose was received before their fourth birthday, then four doses are required. If the first dose was received or on or after the first birthday, then three doses are required.

3. Tetanus and diphtheria toxoids and acellular pertussis (Tdap) vaccine

   a. Students ages 11 years or older entering grades six through 12 are required to have one dose of Tdap.
   b. Students without Tdap who are age 10 years in sixth grade are in compliance if their first dose was received at ages 12 through 14 months, only two doses are required.
   c. A dose of Tdap or DTaP administered on or after age 7 years meets this requirement.

4. Inactivated poliomyelitis vaccine (IPV) or oral polio vaccine (OPV)

   a. Children starting the series on time should receive IPV at ages 2, 4, 6 through 18 months and age 4 years or older. The final dose in the series must be received on or after the fourth birthday and at least six months after the previous dose.
   b. For students who received their fourth dose before age 4 years and prior to August 7, 2010, four doses separated by at least four months is sufficient.
   c. If the third dose of IPV was received at age 4 years or older and at least six months after the previous dose, a fourth dose of IPV is not necessary.
   d. A fifth dose of IPV, at least six months after the prior dose, may be required if the fourth dose was received prior to the fourth birthday.
   e. If both OPV and IPV were administered as part of a series, the total number of doses and intervals between doses is the same as that recommended for the IPV schedule.
   f. Only OPV administered before April 1, 2016 counts towards the completion of the polio series.

5. Measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccine

   a. The first dose of MMR vaccine must have been received on or after the first birthday. The second dose must be received at least 28 days (four weeks) after the first dose to be considered valid.
   b. Students in kindergarten through grade 12 must have received two doses of measles vaccine containing vaccine (except one dose of mumps-containing vaccine for grade 12), and at least one dose of rubella-containing vaccine.

6. Hepatitis B vaccine

   a. The first dose may be given at birth or anytime thereafter. The second dose must be received at least 6 weeks (about 8 weeks) after the first dose. The third dose must be given at least 8 weeks after the second dose AND at least 16 weeks after dose one and no earlier than 24 weeks of age.

   b. Two doses of hepatitis B vaccine (Recombivax HB) received at least 4 months apart at age 11 through 15 years will meet the requirement.
   c. Administration of a total of four doses of hepatitis B vaccine is permitted when a combination of the recombinant vaccine and the hepatitis Bconjugate vaccine is administered after the birth dose. This fourth dose is often needed to ensure that the last dose in the series is given or on or after age 24 weeks.

7. Varicella (chickenpox) vaccine

   a. Students entering grades seven, eight, nine, and ten are required to have received a single dose of varicella vaccine or evidence of immunity.
   b. Students entering grade 12 will need to have received two doses of varicella vaccine, or only one dose of Measles, Mumps and Rubella vaccine if the first dose was administered at age 16 years or older.
   c. If the second dose was administered before age 16 years, then a third dose given or on or after age 16 years is required.
   d. The minimum interval between doses of Measles, Mumps and Rubella vaccine is eight weeks.

8. Meningococcal Conjugate Vaccine (MenACWY)

   a. Children starting the series on time should receive 5 doses of MenACWY vaccine at ages 2, 4, 6, 15 through 18 months, and age 4 years or older. The fourth dose may be received as early as age 12 months, provided at least six months have elapsed since the third dose. However, the fourth dose of MenACWY need not be repeated if it was administered at least four months after the third dose of MenACWY. The final dose in the series must be received on or after the fourth birthday.
   b. If the fourth dose of MenACWY was administered at age 4 years or older, the fifth (booster) dose of MenACWY vaccine is not necessary.
   c. A sixth dose of MenACWY, at least six months after the prior dose, may be required if the fifth dose was received prior to the fourth birthday.
   d. For children born January 1, 2005, only immunity to meningococcal disease is required, and doses of MenACWY and Polio can meet this requirement.
   e. Children ages 4 years and older who are not fully immunized with the childhood MenACWY vaccine series should receive Tdap vaccine as the first dose in the catch-up series; if additional doses are needed, use Td vaccine. If the first dose was received before their fourth birthday, then four doses are required. If the first dose was received or on or after the first birthday, then three doses are required.

9. Haemophilus influenzae type b conjugate vaccine (HiB)

   a. Children starting the series on time should receive 4 doses of HiB vaccine at ages 2, 4, 6 months, and 12 through 15 months. If the first dose was received at age 15 months or older, only two doses are required.
   b. If the second dose was received after age 15 months, only one dose is required.
   c. If the third dose was received after age 24 weeks, only one dose is required.
   d. The minimum interval between doses of HiB vaccine is seven weeks.

10. Pneumococcal conjugate vaccine (PCV)

    a. Children starting the series on time should receive 6 doses of PCV vaccine at ages 2, 4, 6 months, and 12 through 15 months. If the first dose was received at age 15 months or older, only two doses are required.
    b. If the second dose was received before age 16 months, only one dose is required.
    c. If the third dose was received after age 24 weeks, only one dose is required.
    d. The minimum interval between doses of PCV vaccine is 4 weeks.

11. Influenza Vaccine

    a. All children 6 months through 59 months of age enrolled in New York City public and private schools must receive one dose of influenza vaccine between the ages of 6 months and 18 years.
    b. Unvaccinated children ages 7 through 11 years are required to receive two doses of vaccine, at least 4 weeks apart, followed by a third dose at age 12 through 15 months.
    c. Unvaccinated children ages 12 through 23 months are required to receive two doses of vaccine at least 4 weeks apart, or no further doses are required.
    d. For more information, refer to the PCV chart available in the School Survey Instruction Booklet at https://www1.nyc.gov/site/doh/health/healthTopics/fs/seasonal.page website.

For more information contact:
New York State Department of Health, Bureau of Immunization: 518-473-4437
New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Bureau of Immunization: 347-396-2433; Office of School Health Citywide (all districts): 347-396-4720

Pre-KINDERGARTEN

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<tr>
<th>VACCINES</th>
<th>Diphtheria and tetanus toxoid-containing vaccine and pertussis vaccine (DTaP/DTP/DTP/DTaTd)</th>
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<tr>
<td>PRE-KINDERGARTEN (Child Care, Head Start, Nursery, 3K or Pre-Kindergarten)</td>
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<td>KINDERGARTEN through Grade 5</td>
<td>5 doses or 4 doses if the fourth dose was received at age 6 years or older</td>
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Notes: For grades Pre-Kindergarten through 11, intervals between doses of vaccine should be in accordance with the ACIP-recommended immunization schedule for people age 0 through 18 years. Intervals between doses of vaccine DO NOT need to be reviewed for grade 12. Doses received between the ages of 0 and 11 years are considered valid and MUST not be repeated for dose requirements and specific information about each vaccine. Children enrolling in grade-less schools should meet immunization requirements for their age-equivalent grade.