**Pennsylvania Immunization Requirements to Attend School**

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**Immunization Policy**

The following immunizations are required for all students in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Your child's school must have written confirmation from your physician for each immunization. State law mandates that students not up to date on their immunizations are at risk of being excluded from school.

Grades K through 12:

* DPT (Diptheria/Pertussis/Tetanus): Four (4) required, with one after age 4
* Polio: Three (3) required
* MMR (Measles/ Mumps/ Rubella): Two (2) required, with the first after age 1
* Hepatitis B: Three (3) required, must be properly spaced
* Varicella (chicken pox): Two (2) immunizations required, the first must be after age 1 (Or history of disease.)

**In Addition:**

Grade 7 through 12:

* Tdap (Tetanus/Diphtheria/ Pertussis): one dose required, if less than 5 years since last DPT
* MCV4 (Menactra, Menveo, Meningococcal Conjugate): one dose required.

**Free Childhood Immunizations:**Call 610-447-3250 for information. Delaware County State Health Center provides immunizations at NO COST for Children up to 18 years of age who have no insurance or whose insurance does not cover immunizations.