NYSCSH Summary of Key Facts 2019-2020 School Year NYSDOH Immunization Requirements for School Entrance/Attendance

General Information

- The new immunization Requirements for School Entrance for 2018-2019 go into effect July 1, 2019.
- The 2019-2020 Requirements are located on the A-Z Resources under: "I" for Immunizations.
- Parent/Guardian Notification Letters are located at: Samples Forms Notifications
- NYSDOH created a Flyer for the 2019-20 School Year for the Meningococcal Vaccine.
- NYSDOH continues to follow the ACIP (Advisory Committee for Immunization Practices).
- Intervals between doses Hepatitis B and Diphtheria vaccines should be in accordance with the ACIP recommended immunization schedule for students in Pre-K through grade 11. Intervals for these two vaccines DO NOT need to be reviewed for grade 12.
- 2013-2014 Pre-K-12 NYS Immunization Requirements Chart for School Entrance/Attendance
 Chart-Should be use to assess vaccine compliance for students in grade 12 for the 2019-2020 school year.
- The New York State Immunization Information System (NYSIIS) and Citywide Immunization Registry
 (CIR) and some electronic health records automatically compare entered vaccines against what has
 been programed as required for a given age, grade, timing of administration or number of vaccines in
 a series. We recommend you contact your health office software vendor to make sure that your
 software is updated to meet the NYS Requirements.
- Records acceptable without a signature include: NYSIIS or CIR record, Official registry record from another state, electronic health record, official record from a foreign nation, official school health record (paper or electronic) which includes the name of immunization, date given and name of the health practitioner who administered the immunizing agents as required in Immunization Law 66.1.6
- Medical exemptions to immunizations must be reissued annually, identify the immunization exempted, the medical contraindication for the exemption, and the length of time immunization is contraindicated. Sample medical exemption forms are available on the A-Z Resources – I – Immunization page of our website.
- NOTES: Children in a prekindergarten setting should be age-appropriately immunized. The number of doses depends on the schedule recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP). For grades Pre-K through 11, intervals between doses of vaccine should be in accordance with the ACIP-recommended immunization schedule for persons 0 through 18 years of age. Doses received before the minimum age or intervals are not valid and do not count toward the number of doses listed below. Intervals between doses of vaccine DO NOT need to be reviewed for grade 12 except for interval between measles vaccine doses. See footnotes on the NYS Immunization Requirement for School Entrance/Attendance Chart for specific information for each vaccine. Children who are enrolling in grade-less classes should meet the immunization requirements of the grades for which they are age equivalent.

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Prekindergarten (Day Care, Head Start, Nursery or Pre-K)	
Diphtheria and Tetanus toxoid-containing Vaccine	
and Pertussis Vaccine (DTaP/DTP)	4 doses
Polio Vaccine (IPV/OPV)	3 doses
Measles, Mumps and Rubella Vaccine (MMR)	1 dose
Hepatitis B Vaccine	3 doses
Varicella (Chickenpox) Vaccine	1 dose
Hemophilus influenzae type b conjugate vaccine (Hib)	1 to 4 doses
Pneumococcal Vaccine (PCV)	1 to 4 doses
Kindergarten through Grade 5	
Diphtheria and Tetanus toxoid-containing Vaccine and Pertussis Vaccine (DTaP/DTP)	5 doses or 4 doses if the 4 th dose was received at 4 yrs old or 3 doses if 7 yrs old or older and started the series after 1 yr old or older
Polio Vaccine (IPV/OPV)	4 doses or 3 doses if the 3 rd dose was received at 4 yrs old or older and at least 6 months from previous dose.
Measles, Mumps and Rubella Vaccine (MMR)	2 doses (2 measles, 2 mumps 1 rubella)
Hepatitis B Vaccine	3 doses
Varicella (Chickenpox) Vaccine	2 doses
Grades 6 through 11	
Diphtheria and Tetanus toxoid-containing Vaccine and Pertussis Vaccine (DTaP/DTP)	3 doses
Tetanus and Diphtheria toxoid-containing Vaccine and Pertussis Vaccine booster (Tdap)	1 dose
Polio Vaccine (IPV/OPV)	4 doses or 3 doses if the 3 rd dose was received at 4 years of age or older
Measles, Mumps and Rubella Vaccine (MMR)	2 doses (2 measles, 2 mumps 1 rubella)
Hepatitis B Vaccine	3 doses or 2 doses of adult hepatitis B vaccine(Recombivax) for children who received the doses at least 4 months apart between the ages of 11 - 15 years of age
Varicella (Chickenpox) Vaccine	2 doses
Meningococcal Vaccine (For Grades 7, 8, 9, & 10 ONLY)	1 dose in grade 7 if not received in grade 7, must obtain in grade 8, 9, and 10 (per move up schedule)
Grade 12	
Diphtheria and Tetanus toxoid-containing Vaccine and Pertussis Vaccine (DTaP/DTP)	3 doses
Tetanus and Diphtheria toxoid-containing Vaccine and Pertussis Vaccine booster (Tdap)	1 dose
Polio Vaccine (IPV/OPV)	3 doses
Measles, Mumps and Rubella Vaccine (MMR)	2 doses (2 measles, 2 mumps 1 rubella)
Hepatitis B Vaccine	3 doses or 2 doses of adult hepatitis B vaccine (Recombivax) for children who received the doses at least 4 months apart between the ages of 11 - 15 years of age
Varicella (Chickenpox) Vaccine	1 dose
Meningococcal Vaccine	2 doses in grade 12 unless 1 dose was given on or after