

KINDERGARTEN REQUIREMENTS

A physical examination is required for entry into kindergarten. The dental exam is recommended, but not required. The physical and immunization form is due on or before the first day of school.

The following are the minimum immunization requirements for all students entering Kindergarten for the school year 2008/09.

DPT- a minimum of four doses is required. If the fourth dose was administered before the fourth birthday, **a fifth dose is required.**

POLIO (OPV, IPV)

There are three different options for the polio vaccine schedules. The number of doses required for school attendance follows each option.

1. A schedule consisting of two doses of IPV, followed by two doses of OPV

Four doses are required in any combination.

2. A schedule of four doses of all OPV.

A minimum of three doses are required. If the third dose was received before the fourth birthday, **a fourth dose is required.**

3. A schedule of four doses of all IPV.

A minimum of three doses are required. If the third was received before the fourth birthday, **a fourth dose is required.**

If any combination of IPV and OPV are received, **a fourth dose of either vaccine is required.**

MMR- (Measles, Mumps, Rubella)

The three vaccines are usually administered as combined MMR vaccine. The schedule is as follows:

Two doses of measles, mumps, rubella (MMR) vaccine are required for entry into Kindergarten. The first dose must have been received on or after the first birthday and the second at least 28 days after the first dose.

HEPATITIS B VACCINE:

a minimum of **three doses** are required. A second dose must have been administered 28 or more days after the first, and the third dose should be given at least 16 weeks after the first dose and at least 8 weeks after the second dose. The last dose in the series should not be administered before age 24 weeks.

Varicella (Chickenpox)

One dose of varicella vaccine must be administered on or after the first birthday