STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ENROLLED STUDENTS IN CONNECTICUT SCHOOLS

2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

PRESCHOOL

DTaP:	4 doses (by 18 months for programs with children 18 months of age)
Polio:	3 doses (by 18 months for programs with children 18 months of age)
MMR:	1 dose on or after 1st birthday
Hep B:	3 doses, last one on or after 24 weeks of age
Varicella:	1 dose on or after 1st birthday or verification of disease
Hib:	1 dose on or after 1st birthday
Pneumococcal:	1 dose on or after 1st birthday
Influenza:	1 dose administered each year between August 1st-December 31st (2 doses separated by at least 28 days required for those receiving flu for the first time)
Hepatitis A:	2 doses given six calendar months apart, 1st dose on or after 1st birthday

KINDERGARTEN

DTaP:	At least 4 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4th birthday
Polio:	At least 3 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4th birthday
MMR:	2 doses separated by at least 28 days, 1st dose on or after 1st birthday
Hep B:	3 doses, last dose on or after 24 weeks of age
Varicella:	2 doses separated by at least 3 months-1st dose on or after 1st birthday; or verification of disease
Hib:	1 dose on or after 1st birthday for children less than 5 years old
Pneumococcal:	1 dose on or after 1st birthday for children less than 5 years old
Hepatitis A:	2 doses given six calendar months apart, 1st dose on or after 1st birthday

GRADES 1-4

DTaP/Td:	At least 4 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4th birthday. Students who start the series at age 7 or older only need a total of 3 doses.
Polio:	At least 3 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4th birthday
MMR:	2 doses separated by at least 28 days, 1st dose on or after 1st birthday
Hep B:	3 doses, last dose on or after 24 weeks of age
Varicella:	2 doses separated by at least 3 months-1st dose on or after 1st birthday; or verification of disease
Hepatitis A:	2 doses given six calendar months apart, 1st dose on or after 1st birthday

GRADES 5-6

DTaP/Td:	At least 4 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4th birthday. Students who start the series at age 7 or older only need a total of 3 doses.
Polio:	At least 3 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4th birthday
MMR:	2 doses separated by at least 28 days, 1st dose on or after 1st birthday
Hep B:	3 doses, last dose on or after 24 weeks of age
Varicella:	1 dose on or after 1st birthday; or verification of disease

GRADES 7-12

Tdap/Td:	1 dose for students who have completed their primary DTaP series. Students who start the series at age 7 or older only need a total of 3 doses of tetanus-diphtheria containing vaccine, one of which must be Tdap
Polio:	At least 3 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4th birthday
MMR:	2 doses separated by at least 28 days, 1st dose on or after 1st birthday
Meningococcal:	1 dose
Hep B:	3 doses, last dose on or after 24 weeks of age
Varicella:	2 doses separated by at least 3 months-1st dose on or after 1st birthday; or verification of disease

- DTaP vaccine is not given on or after the 7th birthday and may be given for all doses in the primary series.
- Tdap can be given in lieu of Td vaccine for children 7 years and older unless contraindicated. Tdap is only licensed for one dose.
- Hib is not required for children 5 years of age or older.
- Pneumococcal is required for all Pre-K and K students less than 5 years of age.
- Hep A requirement for school year 2016-17 applies to all Pre-K, K, 1st , 2nd, 3rd and 4th graders born 1/1/2007 or later.
- Hep B requirement for school year 2016-2017 applies to all students in grades K-12.
  Spacing intervals for a valid Hep B series: at least 4 weeks between doses 1 and 2; 8 weeks between doses 2 and 3; at least 16 weeks between doses 1 and 3; dose 3 should not be given before 24 weeks of age.
- Second MMR for school year 2016-2017 applies to all students in grades K-12.
- Meningococcal Conjugate requirement for school year 2016-17 applies to all students in grades 7-12
- Tdap requirement for school year 2016-17 applies to all students in grades 7-12
- If two live virus vaccines (MMR, Varicella, MMRV, Intra-nasal Influenza) are not administered on the same day, they must be separated by at least 28 days (there is no 4 day grace period for live virus vaccines). If they are not separated by at least 28 days, the vaccine administered second must be repeated.
- Lab confirmation of immunity is **only** acceptable for Hep A, Hep B, Measles, Mumps, Rubella, and Varicella.
- **VERIFICATION OF VARICELLA DISEASE:** Confirmation in writing by a MD, PA, or APRN that the child has a previous history of disease, based on family or medical history.
- For the full legal requirements for school entry visit www.ct.gov/dph/cwp/view.asp?a=3136&Q=467374&PM=1
- If you are unsure if a child is in compliance, please call the Immunization Program at (860) 509-7929.

New Entrant Definition:

*New entrants are any students who are new to the school district, including **all** preschoolers and all students coming in from Connecticut private, parochial and charter schools located in the same or another community. **All pre-schoolers, as well as all students entering kindergarten**, including those repeating kindergarten, and those moving from any public or private pre-school program, even in the same school district, **are considered new entrants**. The one exception is students returning from private approved special education placements–they are not considered new entrants.

Commonly Administered Vaccines:

Vaccine:	Brand Name:	Vaccine:	Brand Name:
DTaP-IPV-Hib	Pentacel	MMRV	ProQuad
DTaP-HIB	TriHibit	PCV7	Prevnar
HIB-Hep B	Comvax	PCV13	Prevnar 13
DTaP-IPV-Hep B	Pediarix	DTaP-IPV	Kinrix
Hepatitis A	Havrix, Vaqta	Influenza	Fluzone, FluMist, Fluviron, Fluarix, FluLaval