

# School Immunizations

All students entering Metro Nashville Public School system must have a TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IMMUNIZATION CERTIFICATE, which may be obtained from the Metro Public Health Department or local pediatricians. Please call **615-340-5667** for more information.

The following immunizations will be required as of July 2010 (Tennessee Department of Health Rule Chapter 1200-14-1-.29):

## Children entering Kindergarten

### Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (DTaP, or DT if appropriate)

- ✓ 4 doses required\*
- ✓ One dose must be given after the 4th birthday\*

### Hepatitis B (HBV)

- ✓ 3 doses required

### Measles, Mumps, Rubella

- ✓ 2 doses required
- ✓ Usually given together as MMR
- ✓ First dose must be given after 1st birthday, with at least 30 days between the first and second doses\*

### Poliomyelitis (IPV or OPV)

- ✓ 4 doses required
- ✓ Final dose must be given on or after the 4th birthday\*

### Varicella

- ✓ 2 doses required (or history of disease)
- ✓ Previously only one dose was required
- ✓ Given after 1st birthday\*

### Hepatitis A

- ✓ 2 doses will be required starting on July 1, 2011

## Children entering 7th grade

### Tetanus-diphtheria-pertussis booster ("Tdap")

## Children who are new enrollees in a Tennessee school in grades other than K or 7th

Children with medical or religious exemption to requirements:

### Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (DTaP, or DT if appropriate)

- ✓ 4 doses required\*

### Hepatitis B (HBV)

- ✓ Previously only for Kindergarten and 7th grade entry
- ✓ 3 doses required

### Poliomyelitis (IPV or OPV)

- ✓ Final dose must be given on or after the 4th birthday

### Measles, Mumps, Rubella

- ✓ 2 doses of each
- ✓ Usually given together as MMR

**Varicella (2 doses or history of disease):** previously only one dose was required

- ✓ **Medical:** Healthcare provider must indicate which specific vaccines are medically exempted (because of risk of harm) on the new form. Other vaccines remain required.
- ✓ **Religious:** Requires only a signed statement by the parent/guardian that vaccination conflicts with their religious tenets or practices. *If* documentation of a health examination is required, it must be noted by the health care provider on the immunization certificate.

All children initially entering Metro schools must have a health examination. *Source: Tennessee Department of Health*

\*Detailed official guidance, including the immunization schedule and the new Immunization Certificate, will be made available no later than April 1 online at [Tennessee Immunization Information System \(TennIIS\)](http://Tennessee Immunization Information System (TennIIS)).

- ✓ \*Detailed official guidance can also be found on the Tennessee Department of Health (TDOH) web site.

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Immunizations are offered 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. by appointment at:

East Health Center, 1015 East Trinity Lane, 37216..... 615-862-7916

Lentz Health Center, 2500 Charlotte Avenue, 37209 ..... 615-340-5616

Woodbine Health Center, 224 Oriel Avenue, 37210 ..... 615-862-7940



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