

## Requirements for School Attendance

A school physical, signed or stamped by a licensed examiner and dated within one year prior to registration, is required for each student initially entering a Florida school.

- ✓ All immunization dates must be on Florida Certificate of Immunization (DH680)
- ✓ All Department of Health Centers listed below provide free childhood immunizations
- ✓ For immunization information, contact your physician or the Department of Health in Pinellas

**Clearwater Center**  
310 North Myrtle Ave.  
(727) 469-5800

**Tarpon Springs Center**  
301 South Disston Ave.  
(727) 942-5457 (M, W, F)

**St. Petersburg Center**  
205 Dr. MLK Jr. St. N.  
(727) 824-6900

**Mid-County Center**  
8751 Ulmerton Rd.  
(727) 524-4410

**Pinellas Park Center**  
6350 76<sup>th</sup> Ave. N.  
(727) 547-7780

### State of Florida School Entry Immunization Requirements

Vaccine	Pre-K	Kindergarten & Grades 1 – 6	Grades 7 – 12
Diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis (DTP/DTaP) vaccine or age-appropriate tetanus vaccines <sup>1</sup>	4 – 5	3 – 5	3 – 5
Tetanus-diphtheria-pertussis (Tdap) <sup>2</sup>	N/A	N/A	1
Hepatitis B vaccine (Hep B) <sup>3</sup>	3	3	2 – 3
Inactivated polio vaccine (IPV) <sup>4</sup>	3 – 4	3 – 5	3 – 5
Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)	1	2	2
Varicella vaccine (Chickenpox)	1	2	2
Hib <sup>5</sup>	Required	0	0

<sup>1</sup> A fifth dose of DTP/DTaP is required if the fourth dose was administered prior to the 4<sup>th</sup> birthday. If the fourth dose was administered on or after the 4<sup>th</sup> birthday, a fifth dose is not required. Students who began immunizations after age seven should receive a total of one dose of Tdap and two doses of either Tdap or TD.

<sup>2</sup> The State of Florida requires students entering 7<sup>th</sup> grade to have received a Tdap (tetanus- diphtheria- pertussis) **prior to attending class**. A Tdap should be administered regardless of the interval since the last tetanus- or diphtheria-toxoid containing vaccine.

<sup>3</sup> Students are required to have three Hep B immunizations if the series was started at birth. A two-dose series is available for adolescents 11 – 15 years of age if needed.

<sup>4</sup> A fifth dose of polio-virus is required if the fourth dose was administered prior to the 4<sup>th</sup> birthday. If the third dose was administered on or after the 4<sup>th</sup> birthday, a fourth dose is not required.

<sup>5</sup> Pre-K students are required to have Hib immunization. Numbers of doses depend on type of vaccine and student's age.

**The school year begins in August. Prepare now!**

Have your child seen for an annual health exam and review their immunizations.  
For additional information, contact your school nurse or Pinellas County School Health Services at 588-6320