

## Health 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 poliovirus 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