

Department of Defense Education Activity
Immunization Requirements
School Year 2020-2021

Students who enroll in Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) schools are required to meet specific immunization requirements. These requirements represent the minimum requirements and do not necessarily reflect the optimal immunization status for students. This copy of *DoDEA Immunization Requirements* is provided to parents for informational purposes only. Official proof of immunization (i.e., copy of child’s immunization/shot record) must be provided to school officials at the time of initial registration and upon request of school officials to verify immunization compliance.

Immunization compliance is based on the age-appropriate immunization schedule established by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) and DoD Regulation-AR 40-562/BUMEDINST 6230.15B/AFI 48-110/CG COMDTINST M6230.4G “Immunizations and Chemoprophylaxis for the Prevention of Infectious Diseases,” October 2013. Information on immunizations and dosage scheduling provided by ACIP can be found at <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/easy-to-read/index.html>, the American Academy of Pediatrics located at <http://aap.org>, and the American Academy of Family Physicians located at <http://aafp.org>.

IMMUNIZATION	MINIMUM DODEA REQUIREMENT FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE
+ Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis DTaP, DT	* DTaP or DT series (4 doses) completed or on schedule for completion. Fourth dose of DTaP or DT is due at 4th birthday. If administered before the 4th birthday, a 5th dose is required for initial school entry.
Tdap	* Tdap due at 11th birthday.
+ Hepatitis A	* Series (2 doses) completed prior to initial entry into school or on schedule for completion.
+ Hepatitis B	* Series (3 doses) completed prior to initial entry into school or on schedule for completion.
+ Measles, Mumps, Rubella	* Series (2 doses) completed prior to initial entry into school or on schedule for completion.
Meningococcal	* First dose is due at 11th birthday. Second dose is due at 16th birthday. (Bahrain, use local Ministry of Health Schedule)
+ Polio	* Series (4 doses) completed or on schedule for completion. Fourth dose of OPV/IPV is due at 4th birthday. If administered before the 4th birthday, a 5th dose is required for initial school entry.
+ Varicella	* Series (2 doses) completed prior to initial entry into school or on schedule for completion. A 3rd dose is required if 1st dose was given before the 1st birthday.
+ Hib	* The Hib vaccine is not required for children over 5 years of age.
Tuberculosis	Routine testing is no longer necessary unless risk factors are identified, as determined by local medical command.
Influenza	Annually, in the Fall season, starting in August; due by December 1 st .

+ May be administered in combination vaccines.

As of July 2010, DoDEA aligned with the immunization guidance prescribed by the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children. As a result, provision has been made to permit students transferring to a new location up to 30 calendar days after enrollment to obtain any immunization(s) required by the receiving state. For a series of immunizations, initial vaccination must be obtained within 30 days of initial enrollment.