

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

School Immunization Law (20-A MRSA §§6352-6358)

No superintendent may permit any student to be enrolled in or to attend school without a certificate of immunization for each disease or other acceptable evidence of required immunization or immunity against each disease.

Any child who enters a school for the first time via kindergarten enrollment, transfers from one school to another, or otherwise enrolls in a school for the first time should be immunized against diseases of diphtheria, varicella (chickenpox), measles, mumps, pertussis, poliomyelitis, rubella and tetanus.

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The following is the schedule of minimum requirements for children entering school.

Diphtheria/Pertussis/Tetanus: Five doses

Measles/Mumps/Rubella: Two doses

Poliomyelitis: Four doses

Varicella: 1 dose Children age 13 and over with no reliable history of chickenpox or vaccination should receive 2nd dose of varicella

Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis: Effective for the start of school year 2017, 1 dose of Tdap vaccine is required for children entering 7th grade.