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Midland Independent School District

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IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS NOTICE

Contact: Tracey Dees, MISD Health Services Supervisor, 689-1015.

Parents and guardians of Midland ISD students are asked to note immunization requirements. Midland Health and Senior Services (Health Department) will no longer be able to administer immunizations to clients who have private insurance. If your student has CHIP or Medicaid, he or she is eligible to receive immunizations at the Health Department. In all other cases, parents should set up appointments with their physicians. Tracey Dees, MISD Health Services Supervisor, advises parents to plan to work with their healthcare providers well in advance of next school year in order to meet immunization requirements.

Immunization Requirements:

Grades Kindergarten through 12th:

DTP/DTaP/DT	4-5 Doses; last dose must be after 4th birthday (may receive vaccine four days or less prior to birthday)
Polio	3-4 Doses; last dose must be after 4th birthday (may receive vaccine four days or less prior to birthday)
Hepatitis B	3 Doses required (series requires 6 months to complete)
Varicella	2 doses required, or parental statement of history of chickenpox for incoming kindergartners and seventh graders
Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)	2 Doses on or after 1st birthday (may receive vaccine four days or less prior to birthday)
Hepatitis A	2 doses required for incoming kindergartners as of 2009
Meningitis vaccine	1 dose required for incoming seventh graders
First Time Entrant to Texas Public Schools:	Student is required to have a current immunization record to enter school (Unless proper documentation from the Department of State Health Services for medical reasons or reasons of conscience are submitted)

Students transferring from another Texas school:

Students are allowed a 30-day provisional enrollment while their current immunization record is sent from the former Texas school

Recommended Immunizations:

Pneumococcal vaccine

Meningitis vaccine for all ages

Yearly influenza vaccine

HPV (Human Papillomavirus) series for girls ages 11-12

For Entering Seventh-Grade Students:

(All incoming seventh graders must have these new immunizations by the first day of seventh grade, or they will not be allowed to begin school.)

As of the 2009-2010 school year, updated immunizations were mandated for incoming seventh graders by the State of Texas. Those immunizations are:

1. Meningitis vaccine
2. A booster dose of Tdap if it has been at least five years since the last dose of DPT (Td will be acceptable if a pertussis containing vaccine is medically contraindicated)
3. 2 doses of Varicella (chickenpox) vaccine if the student has not had chickenpox disease

Visit www.midlandisd.net (Wellness/Health Services), or visit dshs.state.tx.us for information in English and Spanish.

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