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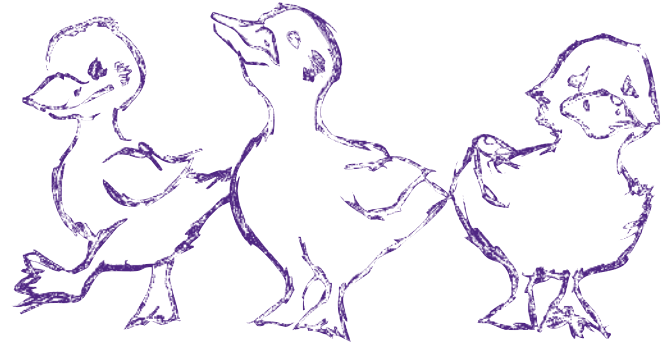
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## Introduction

This booklet was created to give parents basic information regarding age and vaccination requirements for young children enrolling in U.S. public or DoDEA schools. Most military families already know that school entry requirements vary from state to state. It is also important to note that individual districts can, and do, impose additional requirements so variations can also be seen within the same state. These requirements can also change quickly, depending on local circumstances.

**Our best advice is to contact your new school district to make sure you have the most accurate information about their current requirements and to be careful about the details.**

Many school districts have their own web sites, which frequently list information regarding school entry requirements and/or contact information for the best people to provide that information. Be sure to ask if you have any special issues or questions. Please also talk with your health care provider if you have any concerns about the required vaccines or your child's health.

The MCEC has helped thousands of families adjust to school transitions. We have a host of products and publications that address issues from birth through high school. Please contact us if we can provide assistance to you or your family.

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## Other Common School Entry Requirements

In addition to age and vaccination requirements, many states and school districts may ask for other forms or documents. Here is a checklist of items you will want to have ready when enrolling your child in a new school:

- Social security card
- Birth certificate
- Photo identification of parent or guardian
- Proof of residency
- Evidence of child's physical exam within the last 12-18 months
- Screenings needed, such as visual, auditory, dental, or lead screenings
- Evidence of vaccinations on specific state forms (this is required by some states, be sure to ask about this)
- Records regarding any special need your child may have, such as test results or past modifications
- Records regarding any health concerns your child may have
- Recommendations from past teachers

In case you also have preschool-aged Ducklings, know that most preschools require the Hib, or Haemophilus Influenzae Type B, vaccine. Evidence of a TB test is also required in some districts.

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# Alabama

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td –5 doses (or 4 doses if the 4th dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-1

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-1



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# Alaska

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td –5 doses (or 4 doses if the 4th dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 3 doses
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis A – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 2 doses (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-1

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-1



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# Arizona

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT – 5 doses (or 6 doses if 5 doses have been given before 4 years of age)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses (or 3 doses if the 1st dose was given before 12 months of age)
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses (or 4 doses if the 3rd dose was given before 24 weeks of age)
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

Local school districts set the entry age, but most in AZ require children to be 5 on or before 9-1. Contact the local school district where your child will attend school.

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

Local school districts set the entry age, but most in AZ require children to be 6 on or before 9-1. Contact the local school district where your child will attend school.

# Arkansas

## Vaccination Requirements

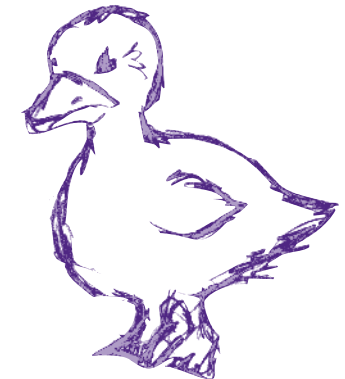
- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 4 doses (the 4th dose must be given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 3 doses (the 3rd dose must be given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-1. Students who attended a state-approved pre-kindergarten program for at least 100 days during the 2008-2009 school year are eligible for kindergarten if their 5th birthday is on or before 9-15.

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 10-1



# California

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 5 doses (or 4 doses if at least 1 dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if at least 1 dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 1 dose

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 12-2

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 12-2



# Colorado

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 5 doses (or 4 doses if the 4th dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday or lab test showing immunity)
- MMR – 2 doses (or lab test showing immunity)
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses (or lab test showing immunity)
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox or lab test showing immunity)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

Local school districts set the entry age. Contact the local school district where your child will attend school.

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

Local school districts set the entry age. Contact the local school district where your child will attend school.

# Connecticut

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 4 doses (if at least 1 dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 3 doses (if at least 1 dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses (or lab test showing immunity)
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox)
- Hib – 1 dose (or documented history of hemophilus influenzae type b at 24 months or older)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 12-31

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 12-31



# Delaware

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 5 doses (or 4 doses if the 4th dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses (or lab test showing immunity)
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses (or lab test showing immunity)
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 8-31

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 8-31





# District of Columbia

## Vaccination Requirements

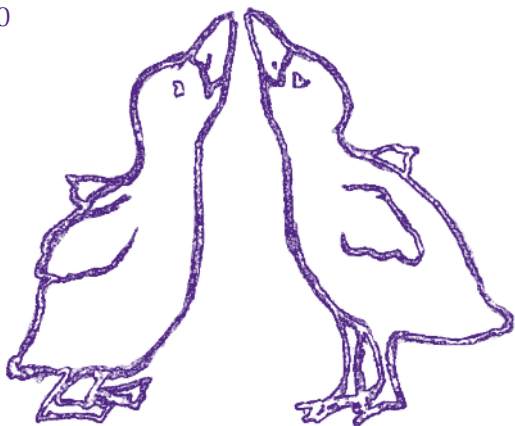
- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 5 doses (or 4 doses if the 4th dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 3 doses
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox or lab test showing immunity)
- Hib – 1 dose

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-30

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-30



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# DoDEA

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 4 doses (if at least 1 dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 3 doses (if at least 1 dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis A – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella (chicken pox)
- Hib – 2-4 doses, depending on timing and manufacturer

The doses for these vaccines vary from school to school and country to country. Please contact the school where child will be enrolling for specifics about their current requirements.

For more information, go to

<[www.dodea.edu/parents/dodea.cfm?cid=kinder](http://www.dodea.edu/parents/dodea.cfm?cid=kinder)>.

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-1 for DoD schools overseas.

Information regarding DoD domestic schools (DDESS) may be obtained from individual DDESS district web sites.

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-1

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# Florida

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 5 doses (or 4 doses if the 4th dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-1

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-1



# Georgia

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 5 doses (or 4 doses if the 4th dose is given on or after the 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 2 doses

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-1

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-1



# Hawaii

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 5 doses
- Polio – 4 doses
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 8-1

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 12-31

\*Hawaii offers junior kindergarten, an option for children who turn 5 between 8/2 and 12/31 of the school year. This program varies greatly by school, so contact the local school district where your child will attend school.



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# Idaho

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 5 doses (or 4 doses if the 4th dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 3 doses
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-1

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-1



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# Illinois

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 4 doses (the 4th dose must be given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 3 doses if the child received all IPV or all OPV, 4 doses are required if the child received any combination of IPV & OPV. In all cases, the last dose must be given on or after the child's 4th birthday.
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses (or lab test showing immunity)
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox or lab test showing immunity)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-1

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-1



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# Indiana

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 5 doses (or 4 doses if the 4th dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given after the child's 4th birthday and the three doses are all IPV or all OPV)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-1

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

No requirement. Local school district will determine grade placement if your child has not completed kindergarten.



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# Iowa

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 5 doses (if at least 1 dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (if at least 1 dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses (or lab test showing immunity)
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-15

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-15



# Kansas

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 5 doses (or 4 doses if the 4th dose is be given after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 2 doses (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 8-31

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 8-31



# Kentucky

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 5 doses (or 4 doses if the 4th dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella - 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 10-1

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 10-1



# Louisiana

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 5 doses (or 4 doses if the 4th dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (the 4th dose must be given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 2 doses

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-30

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-30



# Maine

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 5 doses (or 4 doses if the 4th dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (the 4th dose must be given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Varicella – 1 dose

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 10-15

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 10-15



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# Maryland

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 4 doses
- Polio – 3 doses
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox or lab test showing immunity)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-1

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-1



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# Massachusetts

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 5 doses (or 4 doses if the 4th dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

Local school districts set the entry age. Contact the local school district where your child will attend school.

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

Local school districts set the entry age. Contact the local school district where your child will attend school.



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# Michigan

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 4 doses (the 4th dose must be given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox or lab test showing immunity)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 12-1

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 12-1



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# Minnesota

## Vaccination Requirements

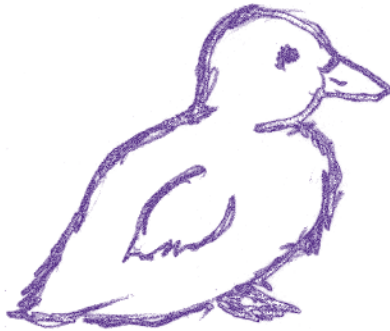
- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 5 doses (or 4 doses if the 4th dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-1

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-1



# Mississippi

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 5 doses (or 4 doses if the 4th dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (if at least 1 dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses (or lab test showing immunity)
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 2 doses (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-1

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-1



# Missouri

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 4 doses (the 4th dose must be given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 3 doses (the 3rd dose must be given on or after the child's 4th birthday. If a child receives a combination of IPV/OPV, 4 doses are required)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 8-1

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 8-1



# Montana

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 4 doses (if at least 1 dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 3 doses (if at least 1 dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-10

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-10



# Nebraska

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 3 doses (if at least 1 dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 3 doses
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 10-15

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 10-15



# Nevada

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 5 doses (or 4 doses if the 4th dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis A – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-30

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-30



# New Hampshire

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 4 doses (if at least 1 dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given after the child's 4th birthday and the 3 doses are all IPV or all OPV)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 2 doses (or lab test showing immunity)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-30

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-30



# New Jersey

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 4 doses (if at least 1 dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 3 doses (if at least 1 dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday or lab test showing immunity)
- MMR – 2 doses (or lab test showing immunity)
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses (or lab test showing immunity)
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox or lab test showing immunity)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

Local school districts set the entry age, usually 5 on or before 10-1. Contact the local school district where your child will attend school. Schools may test a child to assess school readiness.

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

Local school districts set the entry age, usually 6 on or before 10-1. Contact the local school district where your child will attend school.

# New Mexico

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 4 doses (the 4th dose must be given after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday and the 3 doses are all IPV or all OPV)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 2 dose (or documented history of chicken pox or lab test showing immunity)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-1

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-1



# New York

## Vaccination Requirements

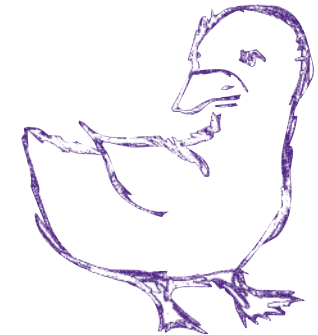
- DTaP/DTP/DTTd – 3 doses (New York City Schools require 4 doses)
- Polio – 3 doses
- MMR – 2 doses (or documented history of measles or mumps or lab test showing immunity for measles, mumps, or rubella)
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses (or lab test showing immunity)
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox or lab test showing immunity)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 12-1

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 12-1



# North Carolina

## Vaccination Requirements

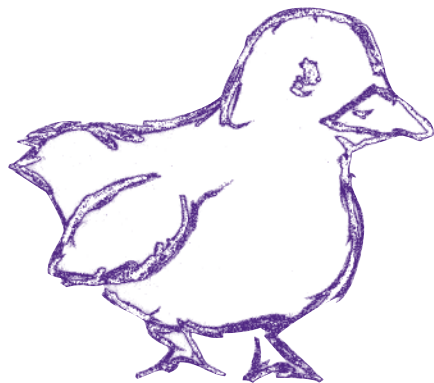
- DTaP/DTP/DT – 5 doses (or 4 doses if the 4th dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox or lab test showing immunity)
- Hib – 1-4 doses, depending on timing and manufacturer

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 8-31

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 8-31



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# North Dakota

## Vaccination Requirements

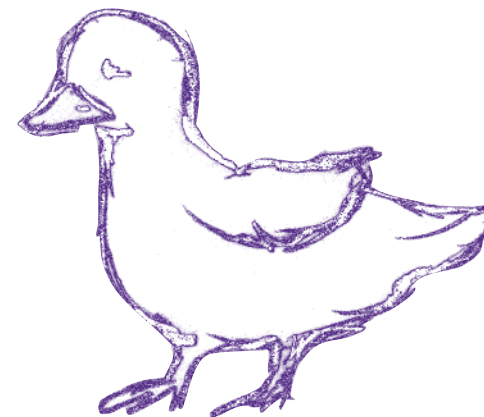
- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 4 doses (the 4th dose must be given after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given after the 4th birthday and the 3 doses are all IPV or all OPV)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 2 doses (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-1

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-1



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# Ohio

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 5 doses (or 4 doses if the 4th dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given on or after the 4th birthday and the 3 doses are all IPV or all OPV)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 1 dose

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 8-1 or 9-30, depending on the school district. Contact the local school district where your child will attend school.

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 8-1 or 9-30, depending on the school district. Contact the local school district where your child will attend school.



# Oklahoma

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT – 5 doses (or 4 doses if the 4th dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis A – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-1

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-1



# Oregon

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 5 doses
- Polio – 4 doses
- MMR – 2 doses (or lab test showing immunity)
- Hepatitis A – 2 doses (or lab test showing immunity)
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses (or lab test showing immunity)
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-1

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-1



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# Pennsylvania

## Vaccination Requirements

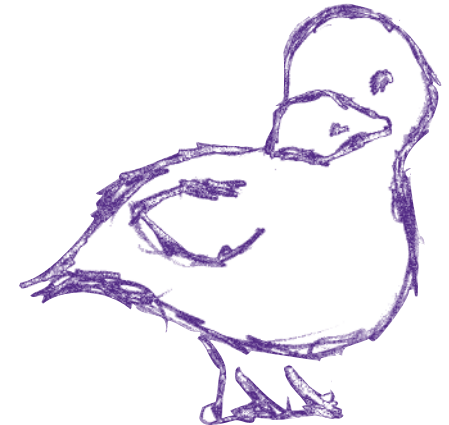
- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 4 doses (the 4th dose must be given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 3 doses
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 2 doses (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

Local school districts set the entry age. Contact the local school district where your child will attend school.

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

At least 5 years and 7 months on or before 9-1



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# Rhode Island

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 5 doses
- Polio – 4 doses
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-1

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-1



# South Carolina

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 4 doses (if at least 1 dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 3 doses (if at least 1 dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-1

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-1



# South Dakota

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 4 doses (the 4th dose must be given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 3 doses (the 3rd dose must be given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-1

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-1



# Tennessee

## Vaccination Requirements

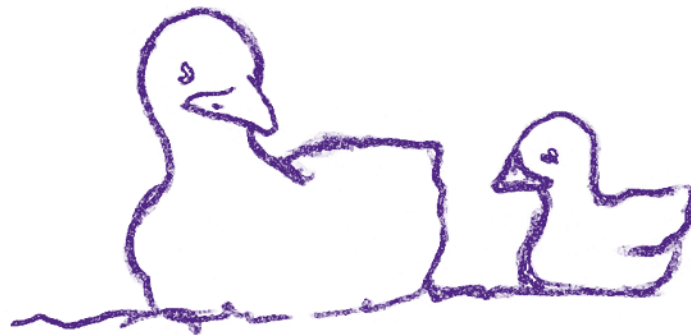
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- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday and the 3 doses are all IPV or all OPV)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-30

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-30



# Texas

## Vaccination Requirements

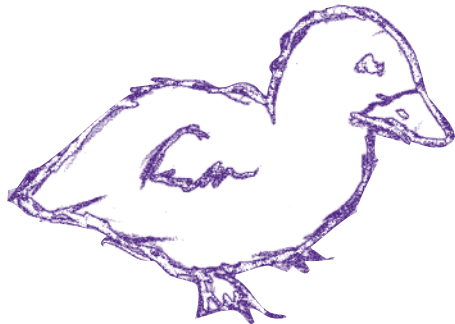
- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 5 doses (or 4 doses if the 4th dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses (or lab test showing immunity)
- Hepatitis A – 2 doses (or lab test showing immunity)
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses (or lab test showing immunity)
- Varicella – 2 doses (or documented history of chicken pox or lab test showing immunity)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-1

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-1



# Utah

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 5 doses (or 4 doses if the 4th dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis A – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-2

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

No requirement. Local school district will determine grade placement if your child has not completed kindergarten.



# Vermont

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 5 doses (or 4 doses if the 4th dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday and the 3 doses are all IPV or all OPV)
- MMR – 2 doses (or lab test showing immunity)
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses (or lab test showing immunity)
- Varicella – 2 doses (or documented history of chicken pox or lab test showing immunity)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

Local school districts set the entry age. It ranges from 5 on or before 8-31 to 5 on or before 1-1. Contact the local school district where your child will attend school.

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

Contact the local school district where your child will attend school.



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# Virginia

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 3 doses (the 3rd dose must be given after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday and the 3 doses are all IPV or all OPV)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 1 dose

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-30

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-30



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# Washington

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 4 doses (the 4th dose must be given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses (or lab test showing immunity)
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 2 dose (or documented history of chicken pox or lab test showing immunity)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 8-31

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 8-31



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# West Virginia

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 4 doses (the 4th dose must be given after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday and the 3 doses are all IPV or all OPV)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 2 doses (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-1

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-1



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# Wisconsin

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses
- Varicella – 1 dose (or documented history of chicken pox)

## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-1

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-1



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# Wyoming

## Vaccination Requirements

- DTaP/DTP/DT/Td – 5 doses (or 4 doses if the 4th dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- Polio – 4 doses (or 3 doses if the 3rd dose is given on or after the child's 4th birthday)
- MMR – 2 doses
- Hepatitis B – 3 doses

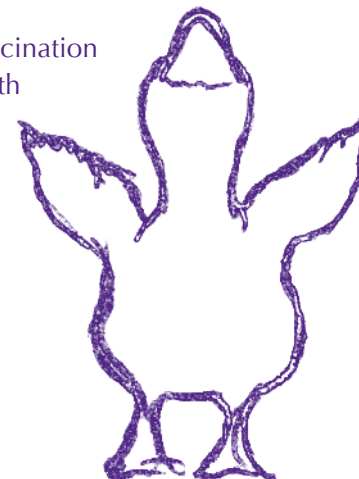
## Kindergarten Eligibility Requirements

5 on or before 9-15

## 1st Grade Eligibility Requirements

6 on or before 9-15

\*Wyoming may update their vaccination requirements in 2010. Check with your child's school district.



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## Web sites:

For more information, here are some helpful web sites:

### <http://www.cdc.gov/>

Most states follow the basic structure of the CDC's Recommended Childhood and Adolescent Immunization Schedules. To view the most current information, as well as catch-up schedules in case your child did not receive vaccinations for a period of time, visit the site above and search for "Recommended Childhood and Adolescent Immunization Schedules."

### <http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/>

For more information and latest developments concerning H1N1, please visit the Center for Disease Control site listed above.

### [www.immunizationinfo.org](http://www.immunizationinfo.org)

The web site for the National Network for Immunization Information details vaccinations needed for school and day care enrollment in each state. It also provides up-to-date information on public health issues and answers questions about topics such as vaccinations and possible side effects.

### [www.immunize.org/laws](http://www.immunize.org/laws)

This site, hosted by the Immunization Action Coalition, provides links to state mandates on specific vaccinations.

### <http://www.vaccinesafety.edu/cc-exem.htm>

If your child has medical issues, you and your health care provider may decide to delay or avoid certain vaccinations. Each state has their own procedure for medical exemptions from the aforementioned school entry requirements. Many states also have religious or philosophical waivers if religious or other beliefs are an issue when considering vaccinations. The Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health Institute for Vaccine Safety maintains a map linking to the exemption procedures available in each state.

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