Arkansas Immunization Requirements Kindergarten-Grade 12 2023-2024

Arkansas Law requires that each student must submit an immunization record or card showing dates of immunization to the school. Guidelines established by the Arkansas Department of Health and the Arkansas Department of Education states that each student must have a minimum of:

DTP- 4 dose requirement with one dose on or after the 4th birthday or 3 doses for persons 7 years of age or older who are not fully vaccinated

Tdap-1 dose for ages 11 and older (as of September 1st each year)

Polio- 3 dose requirement with one dose on or after 4th birthday with a minimum interval of 6 months between the 2nd and 3rd dose and if 4 doses were given between 3rd and 4th doses.

MMR-2 dose requirement with dose 1 on or after the 1st birthday and at least 28 days between the 1st and 2nd doses.

Hepatitis B-3 dose requirement; 3rd dose must be given at 6 months of age or later.

Hepatitis A- *KG and 1st Grade ONLY*- **1 dose requirement** on or after the first birthday.

Meningococcal (MCV4)- 1 or 2 dose requirement

- Grade 7-1 dose
- Age 16-1 dose

2nd dose at age 16 (as of September 1st of each year) **OR** if 1st dose is administered at age 16 or older no 2nd dose is required **OR** 1 dose if not vaccinated prior to age 16. A minimum interval of 8 weeks between 1st and 2nd dose.

Varicella (chickenpox)- 2 dose requirement*

The 1st dose must be given on or after the first birthday and the 2nd dose must be given at least 28 days after the 1st dose.

*A medical professional history of the disease may be accepted in lieu of receiving required vaccinations.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND AT:

https://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/programs-services/topics/immunizations