



**Vaccine Requirements for Children  
Enrolled in Preschool Programs and in Schools — Per [COMAR 10.06.04.03](#)  
Maryland School Year 2025 - 2026**

(Valid for the 2025-2026 academic and summer school year.) rev 2/18/2025

| Required cumulative number of doses for each vaccine for PRESCHOOL aged children enrolled in educational programs |                            |                    |  |   |  |                          |   |
|---|----------------------------|--------------------|--|---|--|--------------------------|---|
| Vaccine<br>Child's<br>Current Age   | DTaP/DTP/DT <sup>1,6</sup> | Polio <sup>2</sup> | Hib <sup>3</sup>                                   | Measles, <sup>2,4</sup><br>Mumps, Rubella | Varicella <sup>2,4,5</sup><br>(Chickenpox) | Hepatitis B <sup>2</sup> | PCV <sup>3</sup><br>(Pevnar <sup>TM</sup> ) |
| Less than 2 months  | 0                          | 0                  | 0  | 0   | 0  | 1                        | 0   |
| 2 - 3 months  | 1                          | 1                  | 1  | 0   | 0  | 1                        | 1   |
| 4 - 5 months  | 2                          | 2                  | 2  | 0   | 0  | 2                        | 2   |
| 6 - 11 months   | 3                          | 3                  | 2  | 0   | 0  | 3                        | 2   |
| 12 - 14 months  | 3                          | 3                  | At least 1 dose<br>given after 12<br>months of age | 1   | 1  | 3                        | 2   |
| 15 - 23 months  | 4                          | 3                  | At least 1 dose<br>given after 12<br>months of age | 1   | 1  | 3                        | 2   |
| 24—59 months  | 4                          | 3                  | At least 1 dose<br>given after 12<br>months of age | 1   | 1  | 3                        | 1   |
| 60 - 71 months  | 4                          | 3                  | 0  | 2   | 1  | 3                        | 0   |

| Required cumulative number of doses for each vaccine for children enrolled in KINDERGARTEN - 12 <sup>th</sup> grade |  |                   |                    |   |  |                          |                         |  |
|---|--|-------------------|--------------------|---|--|--------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| Grade Level<br>Grade<br>(Ungraded)  | DTaP/DTP/Tdap/<br>DT/Td <sup>1,6</sup> | Tdap <sup>6</sup> | Polio <sup>2</sup> | Measles, <sup>2,4</sup><br>Mumps, Rubella | Varicella <sup>2,4,5</sup><br>(Chickenpox) | Hepatitis B <sup>2</sup> | Meningococcal<br>(MCV4) |  |
| Kindergarten &<br>Grades 1, 2, 3, 4<br>5, & 6   | (5 - 11 yrs.)<br>3 or 4                | 0                 | 3                  | 2   | 2  | 3                        | 0                       |  |
| Grades 7, 8, 9,<br>10, & 11   | (11 - 13 yrs.)<br>3 or 4               | 1                 | 3                  | 2   | 2  | 3                        | 1                       |  |
| Grade<br>12   | (13 - 18yrs.)<br>3 or 4                | 1                 | 3                  | 2   | 1 or 2                                     | 3                        | 1                       |  |

\* See footnotes on back for 2025-2026 school immunization requirements.

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**FOOTNOTES**

**Requirements for the 2025-2026 school year are:**

- 2 doses of Varicella vaccine for entry into kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grades.

**Instructions:** On the chart locate the student's age or grade and read from left to right on the chart to determine the NUMBER of required vaccinations by age or grade. MMR and Varicella vaccination dates should be evaluated (See footnote #4).

1. If DT vaccine is given in place of DTP or DTaP, a physician documented medical contraindication to the pertussis-component is required.
2. Proof of immunity by positive blood test is acceptable in lieu of vaccine history for hepatitis B, polio, and measles, mumps, rubella and varicella, **but revaccination may be more expedient.**
3. Hib and PCV (Pevnar<sup>TM</sup>) are not required for children older than 59 months (5 years) of age.
4. All doses of measles, mumps, rubella, and varicella vaccines should be given on or after the first birthday. However, upon record review for students in preschool through 12<sup>th</sup> grade, a preschool or school may count as valid vaccine doses administered less than or equal to four (4) days before the first birthday.
5. Two doses of varicella vaccine are required for students entering Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 11<sup>th</sup> grades and for previously unvaccinated students 13 years of age or older. Medical diagnosis of varicella disease is acceptable in lieu of vaccination. Medical diagnosis is a documented history of disease provided by a health care provider. Documentation must include month and year.
6. Four (4) doses of DTP/DTaP are required for children less than 7 years old. Three (3) doses of tetanus and diphtheria containing vaccine (any combination of the following — Tdap, DT or Td) are required for children 7 years of age and older.
7. Polio vaccine is not required for persons 18 years of age and older to enroll or attend school.