

North Carolina Requirements for School Entry

Physical Exams / Health Assessments: In compliance with North Carolina law, all students entering kindergarten must present a health assessment (physical exam report) by the first day of school entry. The assessment must have been completed within 12 months of school entry.

Immunizations: In compliance with North Carolina law, parents/guardian must present certification of immunizations on the first day of school entry.

If documentation is not presented, parents and/or guardians have 30 calendar days to provide documentation or the student will be suspended from school until proof is presented.

Age/Grade	Number of Doses
2-4 years/JK	4 DTP/DTaPDT 3 Polio 3 HIB 3 Hep B 1 MMR 1 Varicella
Grade K-5	5 (4) DTP/DTaP/Dt3/Td 4 Polio *3 HIB 3 Hep B 2 MMR 1 Varicella
Grade 6	5 (4) DTP/DTaP/Dt3/Td 4 Polio *3 HIB 3 Hep B 2 MMR 1 Varicella 1 Tdap
Grade 7 - 8	5 (4) DTP/DTaP/Dt3/Td 4 Polio *3 HIB 3 Hep B 2 MMR 1 Varicella if born on or after 4-1-2001

1. DTP/DTaP/DT vaccine for children entering Kindergarten: Your child must have received one dose after the 4th birthday (4th or 5th) to be complaint.
2. DTP/DTaP/DT/Td vaccine for students entering grades 1 through 8: Five doses are required. However, if your child received their 4th dose after the 4th birthday, further doses are not required. Students beginning the series after age 7 years only need 3 Td doses.
3. Polio vaccine for students entering grades kindergarten through 8: For children who received all IPV or all oral poliovirus (OPV) series: Four doses are required. However, if your child received the 3rd dose after the 4th birthday, further doses are not required. IF both OPV & IPV were administered as part of a series, a total of 4 doses should be given, regardless of the child's current age.
4. HIB (Haemophilus influenza type b vaccine) two or three doses, depending on the type of vaccine, AND a booster dose after 12 months of age. *Children who have reached their 5th birthday are NOT required to be vaccinated against Haemophilus influenza type b.
5. Hepatitis B - "Hep B" Three doses, required for all children born on or after 7-1-1994 (third dose must be given after 24 weeks of age).
6. MMR vaccine for all students: The first dose of MMR vaccine must have been received on or after the first birthday. 2nd dose is required, usually done with kindergarten boosters. (Note: a dose 4 days or less before the 1st birthday is also acceptable.)
7. Varicella (chickenpox) vaccine. Chickenpox disease is also acceptable. One dose required for all children born on or after 4-1-2001. The dose must be given on or after the 1st birthday (or no more than 4 days before the 1st birthday). The second dose of varicella vaccine should be given at age 4-6 years. If the child has had chicken pox disease, the vaccine is not required.
8. Tdap vaccine required for all students entering 6th grade or proof of Td in the past 3 years is required.