

Wisconsin Student Immunization Law

The Wisconsin Student Immunization Law (State Statute 252.04) requires the following vaccinations for students enrolled in Wisconsin school.

Immunizations (also called vaccines or shots) are one of the most important ways to protect children from diseases. Immunizations are especially important for school-aged children because children in school are regularly in close contact with others who may be able to spread these diseases.

- Additional new rules go into effect for the 2024-2025 school year. This includes MenACWY containing meningococcal vaccine for 7th and 12th grade and healthcare provider verification of chickenpox/varicella disease for new enrollees.
- Due to recent immunization changes as of May 20, 2024, for the upcoming school year, all students will need the following immunizations or an appropriate waiver.

Immunization Quick Guide 2024-25		
Pre-K (ages 2-4 yrs)	Kindergarten thru 6th grade	Grades 7-12th
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4 DTaP/DTP/DT• 3 Polio• 3 Hepatitis B• 1 MMR• 1 Varicella	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4 DTaP/DTP/DT/Td• 4 Polio• 3 Hepatitis B• 2 MMR• 2 Varicella	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4 DTaP/DTP/DT/Td• 4 Polio• 3 Hepatitis B• 2 MMR• 2 Varicella• 1 Tdap for entry to 7th grade• 1 MenACWY- containing vaccine for entry to 7th grade• 1 MenACWY- containing booster (2nd dose in series) for entry to 12th grade
<p>Additional 2023-24 update: Schools are now required to provide reports of vaccine compliance to DHS in addition to the previously existing requirement to report to local health departments.</p> <p>**Vaccine requirements are only able to be waived for health, religious, or personal conviction reasons. The Student Immunization Record still needs to be filled out and returned to school if waiving vaccines.</p>		

What should I do?

Make sure your child is up to date on their vaccinations by checking your child's immunization record. To get your child up to date on their vaccinations:

1. Make a vaccine appointment with your doctor or the [Manitowoc County Health Department](#)

2. Ask the health care provider to complete the [Student Immunization Record form](#). Return the form to *the school health office*.

3. You can also visit the [Wisconsin Immunization Registry](#) to see if your child is missing or coming due for any immunizations.

Immunizations are covered by most health insurance plans. If you do not have health insurance, or your health insurance does not cover immunizations, the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program may be able to help with the cost of immunizations. For more information on the VFC program visit: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/immunization/vfc-parent.htm>.

Please contact our District Nurse - Tracey Schmidt, BSN RN at (920)754-4341 or visit the [DHS website](#) for more information on school vaccine requirements.