



# Waupaca County Department of Health and Human Services

Chuck Price, Director

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Dear Parents of School-Age Children,

As preparation for the next school year begins, please evaluate your child's immunization needs for protection against diseases that are vaccine preventable.

**The Wisconsin Student Immunization Law requires the minimum immunizations for each age level listed below:**

AGE/GRADE	NUMBER OF DOSES
PreK (2 years through 4 years)	4 DTP/DTaP/DT      3 Polio   3 Hep B   1 MMR   1 Var
Grades K through 5	4 DTP/DTaP/DT/Td      4 Polio   3 Hep B   2 MMR   2 Var
Grades 6 through 12	4 DTP/DTaP/DT/Td   1 Tdap   4 Polio   3 Hep B   2 MMR   2 Var

DTP = Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis   DTaP = Diphtheria, Tetanus and Acellular Pertussis   DT = Diphtheria and Tetanus   Td = Tetanus and Diphtheria

Tdap = Adolescent Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Acellular Pertussis   Hep B = Hepatitis B   MMR = Measles, Mumps and Rubella   Var = Varicella (chicken pox)

**\*\* Incoming 6<sup>th</sup> graders are required to have 1 Tdap \*\***

**WAIVERS for required immunization are allowed with written statement to the school.**

*Wisconsin Stats 252.04 (3) The immunization requirement is waived if the student, if an adult, or the student's parent, guardian, or legal custodian submits a written statement to the school, child care center, or nursery school objecting to the immunization for reasons of health, religion, or personal conviction.*

Additional immunizations are strongly recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP). Vaccination to prevent Meningococcal disease consists of 2 doses given at 11 years of age and a booster at 16-18 years of age. Human Papillomavirus (HPV) may cause genital warts and/or cervical cancer. All children—both males and females—can receive this series beginning at age 11 or 12. Consult with your healthcare provider for more information.

By law, schools are required to report students who are not compliant with required immunizations to their local health department. This information is then relayed to the Wisconsin Department of Health Services.

**This is a necessary surveillance measure to protect the health of ALL students enrolled in school.**

Parents may use the electronic Wisconsin Immunization Registry (WIR) to access their child's immunization records at <https://www.dhfs.wisconsin.gov/immunization/wir>.

If there are questions or concerns, please contact your school nurse or Waupaca County Public Health at 715-258-6323.

Thank you for your efforts in safeguarding the health of all children by ensuring timely immunizations!

Sincerely,

Jed Wohlt  
Public Health Officer

