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Subject: Review of Schools and Pre-Kindergarten Facilities

The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) along with your local health department (LHD) are conducting an on-site review in schools and pre-kindergarten facilities. During these on-site visits, reviewers will evaluate the immunization records at each facility and their compliance with California School Immunization Laws ([California Health and Safety Code, Sections 120325-120375](#) and [California Code of Regulations Title 17 Division 1, Chapter 4, Subchapter 8](#)). Under these statutes, children in California are required to receive certain immunizations in order to attend public and private elementary and pre-kindergarten facilities. Schools, and pre-kindergarten facilities are required to enforce immunization requirements, maintain immunization records of all children enrolled, and submit reports.

As provided in paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) of [Section 49076 of the Education Code](#), the local health department shall have access to the complete health information as it relates to immunization of each student in the schools or other institutions listed in Section 120335 in order to determine immunization deficiencies.

Please check that each child has either:

1. A complete and accurate California School Immunization Record (the blue CSIR card) in his or her cumulative file, or
2. A complete and accurate electronic record of his/her required vaccinations stored in a computerized system. If records are computerized, please have printed copies available. Reviewers will be available to answer any questions staff have regarding immunization requirements.

If you have any concerns, please contact your LHD Immunization Coordinator. We appreciate your participation and hope to further our common goal of protecting California’s children from vaccine-preventable diseases.

Summary of TK/K-12 Requirements

GRADE	NUMBER OF DOSES REQUIRED OF EACH IMMUNIZATION ^{1, 2, 3}				
K-12 Admission	4 Polio⁴	5 DTaP⁵	3 Hep B⁶	2 MMR⁷	2 Varicella
(7th-12th)⁸	K-12 doses	+ 1 Tdap			
7th Grade Advancement^{9,10}		1 Tdap⁸			2 Varicella¹⁰

Complete version at: [Guide to Immunization Requirements for School Entry](#) or [17 CCR 6025, Table B](#)

