

2026 MISSOURI CHILD CARE AND PRESCHOOL IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

- All children must present documentation of up-to-date immunization status, including month, day, and year of each immunization before attending child care/preschool.
- The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) allows a 4-day grace period. Children may receive immunizations up to four days before the due date.
- Missouri-required immunizations should be administered according to the current ACIP schedule, including all spacing, ([CDC.Gov/Vaccines](https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines)).
- Parent/Guardian (Imm.P.11) and Medical (Imm.P.12) exemptions are allowed. The appropriate exemption form must be on file. Unimmunized children are subject to exclusion from child care/preschool when outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases occur.
- To remain in child care/preschool, children “in progress” must have an Immunizations In Progress form (Imm.P.14) on file. In progress means that a child has begun the vaccine series and has an appointment for the next dose. This appointment must be kept and an updated record provided to the facility. If the appointment is not kept, the child is no longer in progress and is noncompliant. (i.e., Hep B vaccine series was started but the child is not yet eligible to receive the next dose in the series.)

Vaccines	Dose Required by Age																			
	Birth	1 Month	2 Months	3 Months	4 Months	5 Months	6 Months	7 Months	8 Months	9 Months	10 Months	11 Months	12 Months	13 Months	14 Months	15 Months	16 Months	17 Months	18 Months	19 Months to Early Kindergarten Entry
DTaP/DT				1	1	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	4+
IPV (Polio)				1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3+
HIB				1	1	1+	1+	2+	2+	2+	2+	2+	2+	2+	2+	2+	2+	2+	2+	3+
Hepatitis B	1	1	1	1+	1+	2	2	2+	2+	2+	2+	2+	2+	2+	2+	2+	2+	2+	2+	3+
PCV (Pneumococcal)				1	1	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	4
MMR																				1
Varicella																				1

(+ : If a child has been immunized using the ACIP timing recommendations, he/she could have more than the required doses for child care.)



2026-2027 Missouri School Immunization Requirements

- All students must present documentation of up-to-date immunization status, including month, day, and year of each immunization before attending school.
- The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) allows a 4-day grace period. Students in all grade levels may receive immunizations up to four days before the due date.
- Missouri-required immunizations should be administered according to the current ACIP schedule, including all spacing, ([CDC.Gov/vaccines](https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines)).
- To remain in school, students “in progress” must have an Immunizations In Progress form (Imm.P.14) on file. In progress means that a child has begun the vaccine series and has an appointment for the next dose. This appointment must be kept and an updated record provided to the school. If the appointment is not kept, the child is no longer in progress and is noncompliant. (i.e., Hep B vaccine series was started but the child is not yet eligible to receive the next dose in the series.)
- Religious (Imm.P.11A) and Medical (Imm.P.12) exemptions are allowed. The appropriate exemption form must be on file. Unimmunized children are subject to exclusion from school when outbreaks of vaccine preventable diseases occur.

Vaccines	Dose Required by Grade												
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
DTaP/DTP/DT ¹	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+
Tdap ²									1	1	1	1	1
MCV ³ (Meningococcal Conjugate)									1	1	1	1	2
IPV (Polio) ⁴	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+
MMR ⁵	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Hepatitis B ⁶	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+
Varicella ⁷	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2

1. Last dose on or after the fourth birthday and the last dose of pediatric pertussis before the seventh birthday.
Maximum needed: six doses.
2. **8-12 Grades:** Tdap, which contains pertussis vaccine, is required.
3. **Grade 8-11:** One dose of MCV is required. Dose must be given after 10 years of age.
Grade 12: Two doses of MCV are required unless the first dose was administered to a student who was 16 years of age or older, in which case only one dose is required. At least one dose must be given after 16 years of age.
4. **Kindergarten-12 Grade:** Last dose must be administered on or after the fourth birthday. The interval between the next-to-last and last dose should be at least six months.
5. First dose must be given on or after twelve months of age. If MMR and Varicella are not administered on the same day, they must be at least 28 days apart. The 4-day grace period does not apply to live vaccines.
6. There must be at least four weeks between dose one and two; at least 8 weeks between dose two and three; at least 16 weeks between doses one and three and final dose must be given no earlier than 24 weeks of age.
7. First dose must be given on or after twelve months of age. If Varicella and MMR are not administered on the same day, they must be at least 28 days apart. The 4-day grace period does not apply to live vaccines.
Kindergarten-12 Grade: As satisfactory evidence of disease, a licensed health care provider may sign and place on file with the school a written statement documenting the month and year of previous varicella (chickenpox) disease.