

Cayuga Middle School

Immunization Update: 7th Grade Vaccine Requirements 2025-2026

As we approach the 2025-26 academic year, our school is committed to ensuring the health and safety of every student. This newsletter provides critical information about immunization requirements for our incoming 7th-grade students.

Comprehensive Vaccination Requirements

The Texas Department of State Health Services has established specific immunization guidelines to protect our school community:

1. Meningococcal Conjugate (MCV4) Vaccine

- Single dose requirement
- Protects against potentially life-threatening meningococcal disease
- Recommended between ages 11-12
- Provides crucial protection during adolescent years

2. Tetanus-Diphtheria-Acellular Pertussis (Tdap) Vaccine

- Mandatory single dose
- Comprehensive protection against:
 - * Tetanus (lockjaw)
 - * Diphtheria
 - * Pertussis (whooping cough)
- Booster recommended every 10 years

Documentation Guidelines

Required Submission Documents:

- Official vaccination record
- Signed physician documentation
- Proof of immunization dates
- Valid exemption forms (if applicable)

Compliance Consequences

Students without complete documentation will:

- Be prevented from attending classes
- Receive formal non-compliance notification
- Risk academic enrollment status

Official Immunization Contacts:

- Texas DSHS Immunization Website:

<https://dshs.texas.gov/immunizations/school>

- Immunize Texas Portal: www.ImmunizeTexas.com
- State Helpline: 800-252-9152
- Direct Email: Immunization.Info@dshs.texas.gov

Critical Deadlines

- Vaccination Documentation Due: Aug 6, 2025
- First Day of School: Aug 13, 2025

Recommended Parent Action Plan

1. Schedule pediatric consultation
2. Review current vaccination records
3. Complete required immunizations
4. Submit documentation to school office
5. Retain personal copies of all records

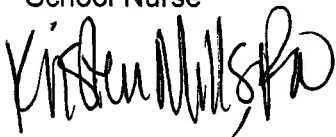
Financial Assistance

For families experiencing financial constraints:

- Local health department offers free vaccination clinics
- Sliding scale payment options available
- Contact Kenyetta Jenkins, MS Counselor, for support

Stay Healthy, Stay Informed!

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