



Dear parents/guardians of students in Colorado kindergarten - 12th grade schools for the 2021-22 school year:

We know you're thinking of all the things you need to do to make sure your student is ready for school. Getting vaccinated is an important part of their school readiness and keeps children from catching and spreading diseases that can make them sick. We wish you and your student a healthy school year!

Required and recommended vaccines

- Colorado law requires students who attend a public, private, or parochial kindergarten - 12th grade school to be vaccinated against many of the diseases vaccines can prevent, unless a certificate of exemption is filed. For more information, visit cdphe.colorado.gov/schoolrequiredvaccines. Your student must be vaccinated against:
 - Diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis (DTaP, DTP, Tdap)
 - Hepatitis B (HepB)
 - Measles, mumps and rubella (MMR)
 - Polio (IPV)
 - Varicella (chickenpox)
- Colorado follows recommendations set by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices. Students entering kindergarten must receive their final doses of DTaP, IPV, MMR and varicella. Students entering 6th grade must receive one dose of Tdap vaccine, even if they are under 11 years of age. You can view recommended vaccine schedules at cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/parents-adults/resources-parents.html.
- Vaccines are recommended for hepatitis A, influenza, meningococcal disease and human papillomavirus, but are not required.

Exclusion from school

- Your student may be excluded from school if your school does not have an up-to-date vaccine record, certificate of exemption, or in-process plan for your student on file.
- If someone gets sick with a vaccine-preventable disease or there is an outbreak at your student's school and your student has not received the vaccine for that disease, they may be excluded from school activities. That could mean lost learning time for them and lost work and wages for you. For example, if your student has not received a MMR vaccine, they may be excluded from school for 21 days after someone gets sick with measles.

Have questions?

- You may want to talk to a healthcare provider licensed to give vaccines or your local public health agency about which vaccines your student needs or if you have questions. You can read about the safety and importance of vaccines at SpreadTheVaxFacts.com, ImmunizeForGood.com, and cdphe.colorado.gov/immunization-education.

Paying for vaccinations

- If you need help finding free or low-cost vaccines and providers who give them, go to COVax4Kids.org, contact your local public health agency, or call the state health department's Family Health Line at 1-303-692-2229 or 1-800-688-7777. You can find your local public health agency at cdphe.colorado.gov/find-your-local-public-health-agency.

Vaccination records

- Please take your student's updated vaccine record to school every time they receive a vaccine.
- Need to find your student's vaccine record? It may be available from the Colorado Immunization Information System. Visit COVaxRecords.org for more information.

Exemptions

- If your student cannot get vaccines because of medical reasons, you must submit a *Certificate of Medical Exemption* to your school, signed by a health care provider licensed to give vaccines. You only need to submit this certificate once, unless your student's information or school changes. You can get the form at cdphe.colorado.gov/vaccine-exemptions.
- If you choose not to have your student vaccinated according to the current recommended schedule because of personal belief or religious reasons, you must submit a *Certificate of Nonmedical Exemption* to your school.

Nonmedical exemptions must be submitted annually at every new school year (July 1st through June 30th of the following year). There are two ways to file a nonmedical exemption.

- File the *Certificate of Nonmedical Exemption* WITH a signature from an immunizing provider, OR
- File the *Certificate of Nonmedical Exemption* received upon the completion of our online education module.

Downloadable certificates and our online education module are available at cdphe.colorado.gov/vaccine-exemptions.

How's your school doing on vaccinations?

- Some parents, especially those with students who have weakened immune systems, may want to know which schools have the highest percent of vaccinated students. Schools must report immunization and exemption numbers (but not student names or birth dates) to the state health department annually. Schools do not control their specific immunization and exemption rates or establish the Vaccinated Children Standard described in C.R.S. 25-4-911. Schools must include their MMR immunization and exemption rates from the most recently completed school year in this letter. Schools may choose to also include immunization and exemption rates for other school-required vaccines. Additional immunization and exemption rates can be found at COVaxRates.org.

School Name	2019-2020 MMR Immunization Rate REQUIRED IN LETTER
ACADEMY ENDEAVOR ELEMENTARY	96.72%
ACADEMY INTERNATIONAL ELEMENTARY	93.73%
AIR ACADEMY HIGH	94.14%
ANTELOPE TRAILS ELEMENTARY	93.81%
ASPEN VALLEY CAMPUS	84.71%
BRIDGES	96%
CHALLENGER MIDDLE	98.21%
CHINOOK TRAIL ELEMENTARY	94.34%
CHINOOK TRAIL MIDDLE	93.58%
DISCOVERY CANYON ELEMENTARY	95.43%
DISCOVERY CANYON MIDDLE	98.04%
DISCOVERY CANYON HIGH	98.17%
DOUGLASS VALLEY ELEMENTARY	81.27%
EAGLEVIEW MIDDLE	96.48%
EDITH WOLFORD ELEMENTARY	92.82%
EXPLORER ELEMENTARY	96.34%
FOOTHILLS ELEMENTARY	89.86%
FRONTIER ELEMENTARY	95.19%
HIGH PLAINS ELEMENTARY	89.97%
HOME SCHOOL ACADEMY PROGRAMS	78.76%
JOURNEY K8	89.44%
LEGACY PEAK ELEMENTARY	94.60%

LIBERTY HIGH	91.02%
MOUNTAIN RIDGE MIDDLE	94.89%
MOUNTAIN VIEW ELEMENTARY	98.52%
NEW SUMMIT CHARTER ACADEMY	92.36%
PINE CREEK HIGH	96.03%
PIONEER ELEMENTARY	93.05%
PRAIRIE HILLS ELEMENTARY	93.17%
RAMPART HIGH	94.87%
RANCH CREEK ELEMENTARY	95.51%
ROCKRIMMON ELEMENTARY	90.83%
TCA COLLEGE PATHWAYS	89.17%
TCA COTTAGE SCHOOL ELEMENTARY	74.4%
TCA COTTAGE SCHOOL JH	66.7%
TCA ELEMENTARY CENTRAL	85.6%
TCA ELEMENTARY EAST	86.9%
TCA ELEMENTARY NORTH	96.92%
THE CLASSICAL ACADEMY HS	98.6%
THE CLASSICAL ACADEMY JH	99.54%
THE DAVINCI ACADEMY	91.95%
TIMBERVIEW MIDDLE	96.28%
VILLAGE HS	90.6%
WOODMEN ROBERTS ELEMENTARY	94.54%
COLLEGE & CAREER SERVICES	100%
FAC	71.0%
EPP	87.5%