

Student Health Services



2014-2015 Back to School Immunization Requirements

Rising 7th Grade Students and New Entrants Grades 8-12

Effective July 1, 2014, all 7th grade students who were born on or after January 1, 2002 and for new entrants grades 8-12 who are entering into a Georgia school for the first time or entering after having been absent from a Georgia school for more than twelve months or one school year will be required to have:



1 Dose of Tdap (*Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis Vaccine*)

AND

1 Dose of Meningococcal Conjugate Vaccine

A new Certificate of Immunization Form 3231 (*Revised 7/2014*) will be required for students to register for school. The new 3231 Certificate of Immunization Form will be available and all community providers and health departments should have access to the form and to GRITS (The Georgia Registry of Immunization Transactions and Services). **Proof of both vaccinations must be documented on the Georgia Immunization Certificate (Form 3231).**

Certificates issued prior to July 1, 2014 can either be the old form 3231 (*Revised 3/2007*) or the new form (*Revised 7/2014*) but it must show proof of the two vaccinations unless the child has an exemption.

You must check for these vaccines, even if the certificate is marked complete. If the Certificate is marked complete and the child **does not have** these vaccines, **he/she must return to his primary care provider or public health center to receive the vaccines and a new/updated certificate.**

For more information, visit <http://dph.georgia.gov/vaccines-children> or call (800)848-3868.

PLEASE NOTE: These changes only effect rising 7th graders (born on or after January 1, 2002), and students who are considered "*new entrants*" for grades 8-12.