

Dear Parent or Guardian,

As you may be aware, the state of California requires all incoming 7th graders to show proof of Tdap and 2 Varicella vaccines (or valid medical exemption) prior to attending 7th grade. We have detailed information regarding Tdap and Varicella as well as answers to frequently asked questions.

In order for your child to start 7th grade, you will need to do one of the following before school begins:

- A. Provide documentation showing that your child has all immunizations required.
- B. Submit a medical exemption for missing shot(s) and immunization records for all required shots not exempted. See <https://www.shotsforschool.org/exemptions> for more information.

What is a medical exemption?

A medical exemption is a signed, written statement from a physician (M.D. or D.O.) licensed in California which states:

1. The specific nature of the physical condition or medical circumstances of the child which a licensed physician does not recommend immunization
2. Each specific required vaccine that is being exempted.
3. If the medical exemption is permanent or temporary.
4. If the exemption is temporary, an expiration date no more than 12 calendar months from the date of signing.

If your student has not yet received these immunizations, please contact your child's medical provider away

- If you do not have a medical provider, we have enclosed a list of Sacramento Area Community Immunization Clinics (www.scusd.edu/post/sacramento-area-community-immunization-clinics)
- If you do not have health insurance, you can get assistance with signing up for health insurance from Sacramento Covered at (866) 850-4321 or <http://sacramentocovered.org/enroll>

This is also a good time to discuss any other immunization needs. Although Tdap and 2 Varicella are required for school entry, it is recommended that your child also obtain Meningococcal and HPV vaccines in this age group. If you have any questions, please contact the Sacramento County Public Health Immunization Branch (916) 875-7468 or SCUSD Health Services (916) 643-9412.

Students entering 7th grade who do not meet the immunization requirements will not be able to attend school. Please bring a copy of your child's immunization record(s) or valid medical exemption to our front office before school begins

Thank you for helping us keep your child, our school, and our community safe and healthy.

Sincerely,



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PARENTS' GUIDE TO IMMUNIZATIONS
REQUIRED FOR SCHOOL ENTRY



Tdap (Pertussis/Whooping Cough)

What Parents Need To Know

What is the pertussis booster requirement?

All students entering, advancing or transferring into 7th grade will need proof

Your child will not be able to start school until

Varicella (Chickenpox)



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Sacramento Area Community Immunization Clinics

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-If needed, please call the Immunization Assistance Program (916) 875-SHOT for further assistance.-

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