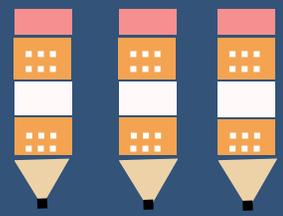


Back-to-School Vaccine Information for Parents and Guardians



While you're preparing for your child's entry or return to school, remember to include their vaccinations on your back-to-school list! Here's some information about the importance of vaccinations and which ones are required for school-aged children.

Why are vaccines important for children and adults?

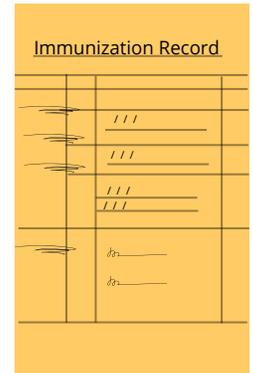
- Vaccines prevent diseases and help keep Californians of all ages healthy
- Vaccines are responsible for eradicating or nearly eliminating many diseases, such as smallpox, polio, diphtheria, and whooping cough (pertussis)
- Making sure your child gets their routine shots on time gives them a healthy start in life



What vaccinations are required for school-aged children?

Children in California are required by law to receive certain vaccinations to attend pre-kindergarten (child care or preschool) facilities in addition to public and private elementary and secondary schools.

- **Scan QR code** for required vaccine schedule for **child care and preschool**
- **Scan QR code** for required vaccine schedule for **transitional kindergarten/kindergarten-12th grade AND students starting 7th grade**



*Although the **COVID-19 vaccine** is not required, it is highly recommended. The CDC states that everyone ages 6 months and older should get vaccinated against COVID-19. Getting your child vaccinated will result in less time away from school and the activities they love.



Have questions or concerns about vaccines?

Talk with your child's healthcare provider to avoid misinformation.

Vaccines are a safe and effective way to protect your child and your community!