

Hello from Kinard's Health Office,

Please bring a paper copy of your student's most recent immunization record to registration in August; especially if they have received any new immunizations over the past year.

Just a few reminders...

IMMUNIZATIONS

All 6th through 12th graders are required to have the Tdap booster, typically given at age 11. The "p" (pertussis) has been added to the standard Td booster to protect teens against whooping cough.

Vaccines required to enter school (K-12):

- Hepatitis B.
- Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (DTap).*
- Inactivated poliovirus (IPV).*
- Measles, mumps, rubella (MMR).*
- Varicella (chicken pox).*
- Tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis (Tdap).**

*Students 4 through 6 years of age are required to have their final doses of DTaP, IPV,MMR and Varicella prior to kindergarten entry.

**Students are required to have Tdap prior to entry into 6th grade. One dose of Tdap is required for 6th through 12th grades.

If you cannot get in to see your doctor before school starts, you can also get required immunizations at Walgreens, King Soopers, or Costco.

For more information, please view the following:

- [Tdap Vaccine Information](#)
- Poudre School District [Immunizations](#)

EXEMPTIONS

If you choose not to vaccinate your student with any of the required immunizations, you must submit a ***new nonmedical*** (formally known as religious/personal belief) exemption every school year after July 1st and ***bring a copy of the completed form or online certificate to Kinard during registration in August.*** Visit <https://www.colorado.gov/cdphe/vaccine-exemptions> for more information and to download the new form or complete the online education module. If you previously did an exemption but have since received the required immunization(s), you can provide an updated immunization record during August registration.

These are the **two** ways to submit a nonmedical (religious/personal belief) exemption to any Colorado school:

- Submit the Certificate of nonmedical exemption **WITH** a signature from an immunizing provider who is a medical doctor, doctor of osteopathic medicine, advanced practice nurse or delegated physician's assistant

OR

- Submit the Certificate of nonmedical exemption received upon the completion of CDPHE's Online Immunization Education Module.

Parents of students in grades K-12 claiming a nonmedical exemption must submit one annually.

Nonmedical exemptions expire June 30th each year. If you submit a Certificate of nonmedical exemption on or before June 30th, it will not be valid for the upcoming school year.

PARENTVUE

You can view your student's current immunization record on [ParentVUE](#) on the website or ParentVUE app. If you haven't accessed ParentVUE previously, you will need to wait until August.

In [ParentVUE](#) – Under Health:

- You can view Nurse Visits – how many times your student has visited the health office
- You can view Health Conditions – anything you need to add/change here, you can do so at the beginning of the school year, and we highly recommend updating this information annually
- You can view Immunizations – you can see what the school has recorded on their end for immunizations. 6th grade families may see this for Tdap: Not Required based on Grade – this will show up until your 6th grader enters our computer system, typically after August 1st

MEDICATIONS

If you need forms for any health/medication reasons for the health office or to self-carry emergency medications during the upcoming school year, please visit the [Poudre School District website](#). Review and print from section 6. Consent for taking medication at school and section 8. Health care action plans for the correct paperwork.

Self-carry is allowed and highly encouraged in middle school for emergency medications only such as Asthma rescue inhalers, EpiPens (or any Epinephrine injector), Benadryl (severe allergic reactions only), Glucagon, etc. Some families have their student self-carry (purse/backpack/locker/PE locker for after school activities, clubs, athletics, field trips, walking home, etc.) and then store a second medication in the health office if they prefer. Kinard staff is

delegated every school year to help & administer a self-carry EpiPen or any Epinephrine injector.

New medication paperwork is needed every school year and should be filled out by your health care provider and dated after June 1st. The completed paperwork (double check all the required signatures – front & back {self-carry form}) and medication (double check expiration dates as we cannot accept expired medication) can be turned into Kinard's health office at the beginning of the school year.

If you have any questions regarding immunizations or health office needs for Kinard during the 2022-2023 school year, please contact or visit:

<https://www.psdschools.org/programs-services/student-health>

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