

POCONO MOUNTAIN SCHOOL DISTRICT REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR ALL CHILDREN

All applications for registration of students must contain the following:

1. **Proof of Age** [24 P.S. §13-1304]
 - Original or certified official birth certificate or original or certified baptismal certificate
2. **Immunization Records** [24 P.S. §13-1303a]
 - Certificate of immunization issued in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Pennsylvania Secretary of Health and the Advisory Health Board
 - Students who are not immunized as required by the Pennsylvania Department of Health, or who are not medically or religiously exempt may not be admitted to school.
3. **Proof of Residence** [24 P.S. §13-1302 and Pocono Mountain School District Policy 200]
 - Application for registration must be accompanied by **two** proofs of residency from the list below:
 1. A recorded deed indicating address of residence, and name(s) of property owner(s) for an improved property within the district
 2. A mortgage settlement document(s) indicating address of residence and name(s) of property owner(s)
 3. Payment, or proof of liability for payment, of municipal and/or school district taxes for an improved property within the district for the current or immediately preceding tax year
 4. A signed lease agreement providing for occupancy of a residence or residential unit within the district
 5. A signed agreement of sale for the purchase of a residence or residential unit within the district
 6. A signed contract for the construction of a residence within the district, together with a copy of the building permit and/or other applicable permits
 7. Pennsylvania Driver's License indicating an address within the district
 8. Pennsylvania identification card indicating an address within the district
 9. Pennsylvania automobile registration indicating an address within the district
 10. Utility or insurance bills indicating payment of utilities due to occupancy of a residence within the district
 11. Signed income tax return filed for the current or immediately preceding tax year indicating an address within the district
 12. Current check stubs from wages, public assistance, social security or other source of income indicating an address within the district
 13. Occupancy permit issued by the local municipality for the residence in question
4. **Parent Registration Statement** [24 P.S. §13-1304a]
 - Parent Registration Statement attesting to whether the student has been or is suspended or expelled for offenses involving drugs or alcohol, weapons or violence. This form is available for download.
5. **Home Language Survey**
 - This is a requirement of the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights. The form is available for download.

ADDITIONAL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR CHILDREN, NOT ONE'S OWN

Applications for registration of students not residing with their parent or guardian must contain the following in addition to all other required documents:

1. **Foster Children** [24 P.S. §13-1305]
 - Original letter from the court, association, agency or institution indicating compensated placement with the resident, and the resident school district of the natural parent(s) and;
 - Signed form from the foster parent indicating that the child has been placed by a bona fide agency in the home of the resident with compensation
2. **Other Children, Not One's Own** [24 P.S. §13-1302]
 - Appropriate legal documentation to show dependency/guardianship
 - Signed sworn statement that the child is being supported gratis and the resident will continuously assume all personal obligations for the child relative to school

A child shall be considered a resident of the school district in which his parents or the guardian of his person resides, and will be enrolled in the school building he/she would normally attend in accordance with established school district attendance areas.

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

Pennsylvania School Immunization Requirements [28 P.S. §23 (C)]

1. All students need the following immunizations to attend school:
 - 4 doses of tetanus (usually given as DTP or DTaP or DT or TD) with one dose on or after the 4th birthday
 - 4 doses of diphtheria (usually given as DTP or DTaP or DT or TD) with one dose on or after the 4th birthday
 - 3 doses of polio
 - 2 doses of measles (usually given as MMR) with the first dose on or after the 1st birthday
 - 2 doses of mumps (usually given as MMR) with the first dose on or after the 1st birthday
 - 1 dose of rubella (German Measles) (usually given as MMR) with the first dose on or after the 1st birthday
 - 3 doses of hepatitis B
 - 2 doses of varicella (chickenpox) with the first dose on or after the 1st birthday or history of disease

2. Students in 7th Grade need the following **additional** immunizations to attend school:
 - 1 dose of tetanus, diphtheria, acellar pertussis (Tdap) if 5 years has elapsed since last tetanus immunization
 - 1 dose of meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV)

Proof of immunization means a written record showing the dates (month, day, year) your child was immunized.

The only exceptions to the school laws for immunization are medical reasons and religious beliefs. If your child is exempt from immunizations, your child may be removed from school during a disease outbreak.

SCHOOL VACCINATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ATTENDANCE IN PENNSYLVANIA SCHOOLS

FOR ATTENDANCE IN ALL GRADES CHILDREN NEED THE FOLLOWING:



- 4 doses of tetanus, diphtheria, and acellular pertussis* (1 dose on or after the 4th birthday)
 - 4 doses of polio (4th dose on or after 4th birthday and at least 6 months after previous dose given)**
 - 2 doses of measles, mumps, rubella***
 - 3 doses of hepatitis B
 - 2 doses of varicella (chickenpox) or evidence of immunity
- *Usually given as DTP or DTaP or if medically advisable, DT or Td*
*** A fourth dose is not necessary if the third dose was administered at age 4 years or older and at least 6 months after the previous dose*
****Usually given as MMR*



ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL, unless the child has a medical or religious/philosophical exemption, a child must have had at least one dose of the above vaccinations or risk exclusion.

- If a child does not have all the doses listed above, needs additional doses, and the next dose is medically appropriate, the child must receive that dose within the first five days of school or risk exclusion. If the next dose is not the final dose of the series, the child must also provide a medical plan (red and white card) within the first five days of school for obtaining the required immunizations or risk exclusion.
- If a child does not have all the doses listed above, needs additional doses, and the next dose is not medically appropriate, the child must provide a medical plan (red and white card) within the first five days of school for obtaining the required immunizations or risk exclusion.
- The medical plan must be followed or risk exclusion.

FOR ATTENDANCE IN 7TH GRADE:

- 1 dose of tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis (Tdap) on the first day of 7th grade.
- 1 dose of meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV) on the first day of 7th grade.

ON THE FIRST DAY OF 7TH GRADE, unless the child has a medical or religious/philosophical exemption, a child must have had the above vaccines or risk exclusion.

FOR ATTENDANCE IN 12TH GRADE:

- 1 dose of MCV on the first day of 12th grade. If one dose was given at 16 years of age or older, that shall count as the twelfth grade dose.

ON THE FIRST DAY OF 12TH GRADE, unless the child has a medical or religious/philosophical exemption, a child must have had the above vaccines or risk exclusion.

The vaccines required for entrance, 7th grade and 12th grade continue to be required in each succeeding school year.

These requirements allow for the following exemptions: medical reason, religious belief, or philosophical/strong moral or ethical conviction. Even if your child is exempt from immunizations, he or she may be excluded from school during an outbreak of vaccine preventable disease.

Pennsylvania's school immunization requirements can be found in 28 Pa.CODE CH.23 (School Immunization). Contact your healthcare provider or call 1-877-PA-HEALTH for more information.



INFORMACIÓN PARA PADRES SOBRE VACUNACIÓN ESCOLAR

El Departamento de Salud está cambiando las normas de vacunación escolar a partir de agosto de 2017. El objetivo de estas normas es garantizar que los niños que asisten a escuelas en el estado estén protegidos adecuadamente contra potenciales brotes de enfermedades prevenibles con vacunas.



LOS NIÑOS DEBEN TENER LAS VACUNAS OBLIGATORIAS O CORREN EL RIESGO DE SER EXCLUIDOS DE LA ESCUELA.

Los niños deben tener todas las vacunas obligatorias apropiadas desde el punto de vista médico o un plan para completar las vacunas faltantes, o corren el riesgo de ser excluidos de la escuela. Los niños pueden obtener exenciones médicas, religiosas o filosóficas de los requisitos de vacunación. Hable con el pediatra de su hijo sobre las vacunas que su hijo necesita para asistir a la escuela.



NUEVOS REQUISITOS DE VACUNACIÓN:

- combinación contra la difteria y el tétanos;
- vacunación contra la tos ferina;
- combinación contra sarampión, paperas y rubéola y
- vacuna antimeningocócica conjugada para el ingreso a 12° grado o, en escuelas sin grados, al año escolar en el que el niño cumple 18 años.

Para obtener más información acerca de las vacunas que su hijo necesita para asistir a la escuela, visite dontwaitvaccinate.pa.gov o hable con el pediatra de su hijo.

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