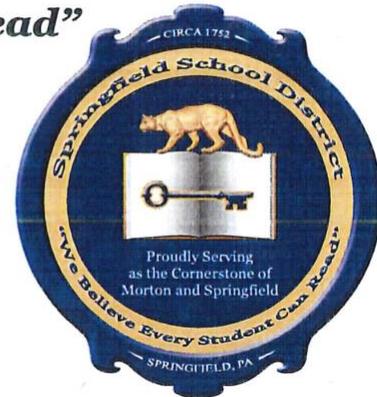


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IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR 2018-2019

Attention Parents and Guardians:

These new requirements specifically relate to students in grades K, 7, and 12. Additionally, these also relate to students new to the SSD school district in any grade.

The Pennsylvania Department of Health has issued **immunization requirements for the 2018-2019 School Year**. **On the first day of school, your child must have all completed immunizations or a medical plan indicating the completion of the immunization series within the first five days of school or risk automatic exclusion from school. Please note those immunizations that need only one dose must be completed by the first day of school.** Please be sure to consult your health professional if you have questions.

The following guidance is provided regarding the current immunizations required to meet the state requirements for admission to school:

- 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 the 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

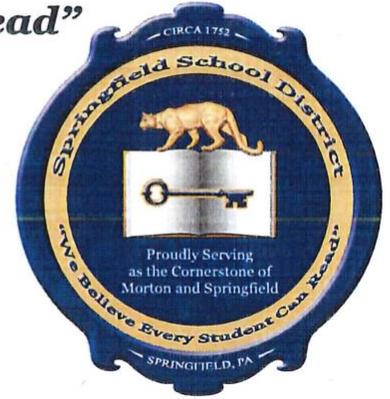
***Usually given as MMR

For attendance in 7th grade:

- 1 dose of tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis (Tdap) by the first day of school
- 1 dose of meningococcal conjugate vaccine, (MCV) by the first day of school

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For attendance in 12th grade:

1 dose of meningococcal conjugate vaccine, (MCV) by the first day school

All students must meet the Pennsylvania School Immunization Regulation and Schedule. If these requirements are not met, your child must receive the immunization(s) or have a medical plan indicating the completion of the immunization series by **September 10, 2018, or risk exclusion.**

Vaccine information can be found at www.dontwaitvaccinate.pa.gov. Pennsylvania's school immunization requirements can be found in 28 Pa. CODE CH.23 (School Immunization).

Our school nurses will be reporting to schools on August 29. If you wish to drop off proof of immunizations before that time, please place them in a sealed envelope marked "For School Nurse." We want to thank you in advance for attending to this matter quickly to ensure a smooth opening and transition for your child in the coming year.

Respectfully,

The SSD Administrative Team