### **PENNSYLVANIA**

### SCHOOL IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

Pennsylvania's school immunization requirements can be found in 28 PA.CODE CH.23 (School Immunization)

Children in **ALL GRADES** (K-12), who started school before 1997 need the following vaccines:

- 3 doses of tetanus\*
- 3 doses of diphtheria\*
- 3 doses of polio
- 2 doses of measles\*\*
- 1 dose of mumps\*\*
- 1 dose of rubella (German measles) \*\*

# Children ENTERING SCHOOL (at K or grade 1), in 2002/2003 need the following vaccines:

• 4 doses of tetanus\*

(1 dose on or after the birthday)

- 4 doses of diphtheria\*
  - (1 dose on or after the 4th birthday)
- 3 doses of polio
- 2 doses of measles\*\*
- 1 dose of mumps\*\*
- 1 dose of rubella (German measles) \*\*
- 3 doses of hepatitis B
- 1 dose of varicella (chickenpox) vaccine or history of disease

## Children ENTERING 7TH GRADE, in 2002/2003 need the following vaccines:

- 3 doses of tetanus\*
- 3 doses of diphtheria\*
- 3 doses of polio
- 2 doses of measles\*\*
- 1 dose of mumps\*\*
- 1 dose of rubella (German measles) \*\*
- 3 doses hepatitis B
- Age appropriate dose(s) of varicella (chickenpox) vaccine or history of disease
- \*Usually given as DTP or DTaP or DT or Td
- \*\*Usually given as MMR

These requirements allow for medical reasons and religious beliefs. If your child is exempt from immunizations, he/she may be removed from school during an outbreak.

Contact your health care provider or 1-877-PA-HEALTH for more information

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#### **Physical Examination**

A physical examination is required prior to original entry to school. A physical examination is also required for sixth and eleventh grade students. Students entering from out of state, regardless of grade, also need a physical examination. Examinations may be with your family doctor or the CASD school doctor.

Thank you for letting us help with your child's health care.