



**Office of Student Health Services  
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## Do you have a student entering 7<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade this fall?

If yes, your student may need one or more of the following immunizations:

### **7<sup>th</sup> Grade:**

- One dose of Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis) given at age 7 or older.
- One dose of Meningococcal Vaccine (MenACWY, Menactra, or Menveo) given at age 10 or older.
- Two doses of HPV (Human Papillomavirus) vaccine. The first dose shall be administered before the child enters the 7<sup>th</sup> grade. After reviewing educational materials approved by the Board of Health, the parent or guardian, at the parent's or guardian's sole discretion, may elect for the child not to receive the HPV vaccine. LCPS does not require opt-out documentation for the HPV vaccine.

### **12<sup>th</sup> Grade:**

- One dose of Meningococcal Vaccine (MenACWY, Menactra, or Menveo) given at age 16 or older.

Effective July 1, 2021, these immunizations **are required for all students entering seventh and twelfth grades**. Parents or guardians should ask their private healthcare provider, or the health department, to review their student's immunization record to ensure that their student has received these required immunizations.

**Seventh grade students cannot begin school in August without documentation of the Tdap and Meningococcal vaccines.**

**Twelfth grade students cannot begin school in August without documentation of the Meningococcal vaccine.**

Documentation must be provided to the School Nurse or Registrar at the school your student is currently attending or will be attending in the fall as soon as possible.

Acceptable documentation can be one of the following:

1. An official copy of your student's immunization record showing the date the immunization was given.
2. A note on a healthcare provider's letterhead stating the date the immunization was given. *The note must be signed and dated by the healthcare provider.*
3. A healthcare provider's written statement of a permanent or temporary medical exemption for a student who cannot receive the immunization due to medical reasons. *The statement must be signed and dated by the healthcare provider.*
4. A notarized Religious Exemption Form which is available online at:  
[http://www.doe.virginia.gov/support/health\\_medical/certificate\\_religious\\_exemption.pdf](http://www.doe.virginia.gov/support/health_medical/certificate_religious_exemption.pdf).

These immunizations are available from your student's healthcare provider. Immunizations are also available at local pharmacies, such as CVS and Walgreens, and urgent care centers, such as Patient First.