

ATTENTION PARENTS

2025-26 immunization requirements for Ballard County Schools

If you have a child entering preschool, kindergarten, sixth grade, or transferring to Ballard County Schools for the 2025-26 school year, the following health requirements must be met to comply with Kentucky state regulations and will be strictly enforced. **Parents must provide a Social Security number and birth certificate for each child.**

HEAD START	KINDERGARTEN MUST HAVE:	SIXTH GRADE MUST HAVE:	16 YEARS OR OLDER MUST HAVE: (new state requirement)	ALL STUDENTS (new state requirement)
3-year-olds MUST HAVE: 1) Four Diptheria-Tetanus-Pertusis injections 2) Three polio injections 3) One Measles-Mumps-Rubella injection 4) Hib vaccine 5) Three Hepatitis B injections 6) One varicella (chicken pox) injection if child has not had chicken pox disease. 7) Hemoglobin test given within six months prior to entry 8) Complete physical exam 9) Complete eye exam by an ophthalmologist or optometrist. 4-year-olds MUST HAVE: Same as kindergartners (next column), plus: 1) Hemoglobin test	1) Four or five Diptheria-Tetanus-Pertussis injections, with the last one administered after age 4. 2) Three or four polio injections, with the last one administered after age 4. 3) Two Measles-Mumps-Rubella injections, administered on or after 12 months of age. 4) Three Hepatitis B injections. 5) Two varicella (chicken pox) injections if child has not had chicken pox disease. 6) Complete physical exam within the last 12 months. 7) Complete eye exam by an ophthalmologist or optometrist. 8) Dental exam by dentist, dental hygienist, PA, ARNP, LHD RN or MD	1) Three Hepatitis B injections. 2) Tetanus-Diptheria-Pertussis (TDaP) booster. 3) Meningococcal vaccine. 4) Second dose of varicella (chicken pox) vaccine, if they have not received that already. 5) Physical exam within the last 12 months.	1) Two doses of meningococcal vaccine.	1) Two Hepatitis A vaccinations are required for school entry by July 1, 2020.

TRANSFER STUDENTS must present a valid Kentucky School Medical Examination form (physical exam) and Kentucky Immunization Certificate.

Please call early to schedule an appointment with your health care provider and/or the Ballard County Health Department at 270-665-5432, or school nurse at 270-665-8400, ext. 2020 or 2021.