



Important Information for 6th Grade Parents

State requires an additional immunization before entering 7th grade

2021-2022

Students currently enrolled in a Tennessee school and entering the 7th grade in August 2021 must provide the school an updated Tennessee Immunization Certificate with proof of **an additional** immunization:

1. Tetanus-diphtheria-pertussis booster ("Tdap"): required regardless of Td history (2013 update)

The Metro Public Health Department and Metro Nashville Public Schools encourage you to get these immunizations **NOW** to avoid long waits in clinics and doctor's offices. Schedule a visit with your child's doctor or primary care provider for the immunizations. Immunizations may be available through the Metro Public Health Department if your child has TennCare, no insurance or insurance that does not pay for vaccines. Appointments are required.

The law requires parents to provide an updated immunization certificate to the school **before** the student can **start** 7th grade. You will only need to have proof of the additional immunization mentioned above on the updated immunization certificate. You can turn in the certificate to your child's school as soon as you have it completed or no later than the start of school August 10.

For more information you may contact:

**Metro Public Health Dept.
Immunization Program
615-340-5667**

**Metro Schools Family Information Center
615-259-4636
familyinfo@mnps.org**

First Day of School is Tuesday, Aug 10, 2020