

# IMMUNIZATIONS



## School Immunization Requirements

Following is a list of the required immunizations for Preschool – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade, per the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services.

VACCINE	PRESCHOOL (5 years or younger)	KINDERGARTEN – 12 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE
<b>Haemophilus influenza Type B</b> (Hib)	<b>1 dose</b> (given on or after the 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday, unless child is older than 59 months)	<b>None Needed</b>
<b>Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Pertussis</b> (DTaP, Tdap)	<b>4 doses</b>	<b>4 doses</b> (one dose must be given on or after 4 <sup>th</sup> birthday) <b>PLUS</b> <b>1 dose of Tdap</b> (prior to entering 7 <sup>th</sup> grade)
<b>Polio</b> (IPV or OPV)	<b>3 doses</b>	<b>3 doses</b> (one dose must be given on or after 4 <sup>th</sup> birthday)
<b>Measles, Mumps, and Rubella</b> (MMR)	<b>1 dose</b> (dose must be given on or after 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday)	<b>2 doses</b> (first dose must be given on or after 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday, and spacing between doses is 4 weeks)
<b>Varicella “chickenpox”</b> (Var)	<b>1 dose</b> (dose must be given on or after 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday)	<b>2 doses</b> (first dose must be given on or after 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday, spacing between does is 12 weeks for children under 13 years, and 4 weeks for those older than 13 years)

In accordance with Montana State Law, we must have immunization records on file for your child(ren) before the first day of school.

Immunization records can be sent directly to the admissions department at [admissions@valleychristian.org](mailto:admissions@valleychristian.org) or they can be faxed to us by your doctor’s office at 406-549-5047.

If you choose not to immunize, you must complete a Religious Exemption form **annually for each child**. Religious Exemption forms must be notarized and can be found online at [dphhs.mt.gov](http://dphhs.mt.gov).

Please contact our school office at 406-549-0482 with any questions.