



CALHOUN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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SCHOOL WELLNESS PROGRAM

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Our children's education is important to the future of our community and our world. Studies have shown that there is a direct relationship between health status and the ability to learn. Through education and prevention of illness and disease, we promote health in our children, increasing their chances to learn and be successful. Keeping up to date with vaccines available against preventable diseases is an important measure to insure the health of your child. Please note the following immunization requirements and recommendations for school-age children. Protect your child today!

State Immunization Requirements For Students:

- * Four doses DTP or DTaP; one dose must be on or after 4 years of age:
- * Four doses of Polio; if dose 3 administered on or after 4 years of age, then only 3 required
- * Two doses of Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR) given on or after 12 months of age
- * Two doses of Varicella (chickenpox) vaccine or history (date) of chickenpox disease
- * One dose of Meningococcal (meningitis) vaccine at age 11, or prior to beginning 7th grade, with booster dose at age 16 (If first dose of Meningococcal vaccine is given after age 16, only 1 dose is required.)
- * Three doses of Hepatitis B
- * One dose of Tdap (tetanus/diphtheria/acellular pertussis) given after age 11, or prior to beginning 7th grade

Recommendations For Students:

- * Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine series for males and females over 11-12 years of age
- * Hepatitis A vaccine series

All recommended and required vaccine series should be completed.

Please contact your child's medical provider or the Calhoun County Public Health Department to arrange for immunizations.

Please feel free to contact your school nurse at your child's school during school hours or by email if you have any questions or for assistance in arranging completion of immunizations.

Thank you,

School Nurse