

Make sure your child is ready for school



Children entering preschool, kindergarten or seventh grade and those enrolling in a Tennessee school for the first time should receive the immunizations listed below. Parents must also provide their child's school with a **state immunization certificate**, which documents the vaccinations, before the first day of school.

Vaccines and immunization certificates are available at your pediatrician's office or the Knox County Health Department. To see if your child has proof of the required vaccines, you may contact the medical office or clinic where your child receives vaccinations, or you may call 865-215-5150.

To have your child vaccinated at the health department, please call 865-215-5070 to schedule an appointment. At the appointment, please bring your (parent/guardian's) photo ID, insurance card and your child's vaccination record. Most insurance plans cover preventive services such as vaccines, but parents are encouraged to confirm this with their insurance provider prior to the appointment. Vaccines are available to children who do not have insurance at no cost. There is a minimal fee for administration. Appointments are available at each KCHD location:

- Main Offices and the Travel and Immunization Clinic, 140 Dameron Avenue, 865-215-5070
- Teague Clinic, 405 Dante School Road, 865-215-5500
- West Clinic, 1028 Old Cedar Bluff, 865-215-5950

Tennessee's vaccine requirements follow recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Childhood immunizations are vital in protecting children from potentially serious diseases. The CDC estimates vaccinations will prevent more than 21 million hospitalizations and 732,000 deaths among children born in the last 20 years. In addition, vaccines are widely considered one of the most well-researched and safe medical interventions available. In fact, data show that the current U.S. vaccine supply is the safest in history.

ARE YOU READY FOR 7th GRADE?

All seventh-grade students are required to have a Tdap booster and second Varicella on a Tennessee Immunization Certificate.

- ✓ Proof of these immunizations are due Monday, August 10, 2020.
- ✓ Seventh-grade students without the above-mentioned cannot attend school on Tuesday, August 11, 2020.



Main Clinic

140 Dameron Ave,
Knoxville, TN 37917
865-215-5000

Hours:

Monday - Friday
8:00 am - 4:30 pm