

## SUMMARY OF RHODE ISLAND IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS AND EXEMPTIONS

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS					
VACCINE	GRADE	TOTAL # OF DOSES	MINIMUM AGE FOR FIRST DOSE	MINIMUM INTERVALS (BETWEEN DOSES)	
<b>DTP/DTaP</b> (Diphtheria, Tetanus, & Pertussis)	<b>All</b>	<b>5 or 4</b> (4 doses only if 4 <sup>th</sup> dose after age 4)	<b>6 Weeks</b>	<b>Dose #1,2,3</b> <b>Dose #4</b>	4 weeks between each dose 6 months after #3
<b>Td</b> (Tetanus & Diphtheria)	<b>All</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7 Years</b>	<b>Dose #1,2</b> <b>Dose #3</b>	4 weeks between each dose 6 months after #2
<b>POLIO – OPV</b> (Oral Poliovirus)	<b>All</b>	<b>4 or 3</b> (3 doses only if 3 <sup>rd</sup> dose after age 4)	<b>6 Weeks</b>	<b>Dose #1,2,3</b>	4 weeks between each dose
<b>POLIO - IPV</b> (Inactivated Poliovirus)	<b>All</b>	<b>4 or 3</b> (3 doses only if 3 <sup>rd</sup> dose after age 4)	<b>6 Weeks</b>	<b>Dose #1,2</b> <b>Dose #3</b>	4 weeks between each dose 6 months after #2
<b>MMR</b> (Measles, Mumps, & Rubella)	<b>All</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>12 Months</b> (On or after 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday)	<b>Dose #1 &amp; 2</b>	1 month
<b>Hepatitis B</b>	<b>All</b>	<b>3</b>		<b>Dose #1 &amp; 2</b> <b>Dose #3</b>	1 month 6 months after #2
<b>Varicella Vaccine</b> (Chicken Pox)	<b>All</b>	(Vaccine or note from Doctor with date of infection)			

EXEMPTIONS	
TYPE	DEFINITION
<b>MEDICAL</b>	A licensed physician signs a medical exemption stating the student is exempt from a specific vaccine because of medical reasons in accordance with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>↳ ACIP guidelines, AAP guidelines, or vaccine package insert instructions, or</li> <li>↳ Laboratory confirmation of disease.</li> </ul>
<b>RELIGIOUS</b>	A parent or guardian completes and signs the <b>Immunization Exemption Form</b> on the grounds of religious beliefs.
<b>TEMPORARY</b>	The administrative head of the school or his/her designee signs a <b>Temporary Exemption Form</b> indicating that there is evidence of a scheduled appointment with a health care provider for the required immunization(s). This temporary exemption will expire on the date of the scheduled appointment.