



# Blair Middle School

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Hello, Blair Middle School families!

The 2020 General Assembly passed House Bill 1090 which amends the minimum vaccination requirements for attendance at a public or private elementary, middle or secondary school, childcare centers, nursery schools, family home day care, or developmental center.

This legislation becomes effective July 1, 2021, and amends the Code of Virginia § 32.1-46.A.4 to require:

- Two doses of properly spaced human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine (for males and females). The first dose shall be administered before the child enters the seventh grade.
- Two or three properly spaced doses of rotavirus vaccine, depending on the manufacturer, for children up to eight months of age.
- Two properly spaced doses of hepatitis A vaccine (HAV). The first dose shall be administered at age 12 months or older.
- Two properly spaced doses of meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MenACWY). The first dose shall be administered prior to entry to the seventh grade. The second dose shall be administered prior to entry to the twelfth grade.

State law requires all 7th grade students to have a TDAP booster and Meningococcal vaccine before they start the 7th grade. The Virginia Legislative House Bill (HB) 2215 raised the grade level requirement from 6th to 7th grade for Tdap. Seventh grade students cannot begin school in September without documentation of the Tdap booster and Meningococcal vaccine.

Your child will need to receive a Tdap vaccine and Meningococcal vaccine before entering the 7th grade. Failure to receive them before the 2020-2021 school year may result in your child being excluded from school. If your child received a Tdap vaccine prior to entry of 6th grade, they would not need another dose for 7th grade.

Immunizations can be obtained from your private physician or local health department. If you have questions or concerns, please contact your local health department or your child's private physician.

Documentation must be provided to the middle school registrar and can be faxed to 757-628-2422 or dropped off at the school as soon as possible.

Stay Safe!

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