

## Important Reminder: THIRD NOTICE

## **State of Georgia: Eleventh-Grade Immunization Requirements**

Date: August 6,2025

Dear Parents/ Guardians:

This letter is to <u>remind</u> you of the immunization requirements for rising eleventh-graders. If not already up-to-date, please make sure your student receives the required immunizations <u>by August 31,2025.</u>

Georgia state law requires that all 16-year students be vaccinated against meningococcal disease unless the child has an exemption. All students entering or transferring into 11<sup>th</sup> grade will need proof of a meningococcal booster shot (MCV4) unless their first dose was received on or after their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday.

All immunizations must be documented on the Georgia Department of Public Health's Certificate of Immunization (Form 3231). This form serves as proof of meeting immunization requirements.

Your student must have documentation of receiving the required vaccines before the first day of school. <u>11th graders</u> must have the required MCV4 to attend class.

The Official Code of Georgia provides for only two types of exemptions from immunization requirements:

- 1. **Medical:** Medical exemption for a vaccine should be submitted on the advice of your child's physician. Medical exemptions must be noted on the 3231 Immunization form and must be submitted to the school every year.
- 2. **Religious**: The parent or guardian must provide the school with a notarized Affidavit of Religious Objection to Immunization (DPH Form 2208). This affidavit does not expire and can be found at this link: <a href="https://dph.georgia.gov/document/document/form-2208/download">https://dph.georgia.gov/document/document/form-2208/download</a>

Please see your healthcare provider or visit a local health department if your child has not received all the required immunizations. Please have the healthcare provider review the updated immunization record for accuracy and completeness. All vaccines must be listed on the GA 3231 Immunization form.

For more information about immunization requirements and resources, please visit our APS Health Services website: <a href="https://www.atlantapublicschools.us/Page/61646">https://www.atlantapublicschools.us/Page/61646</a> or the Georgia Department of Public Health website: <a href="https://dph.georgia.gov/schoolvaccines">https://dph.georgia.gov/schoolvaccines</a>.

If you have questions about your child's immunization status, please contact your healthcare provider or local health department.

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