

To Your Health!

Don't Wait to Vaccinate!

Schedule your Child's Back-to-School Immunizations

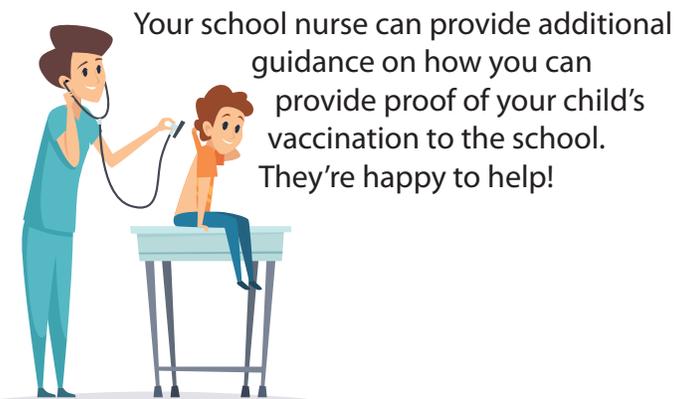


Why is it important?

On-time vaccination helps protect children from dangerous and sometimes deadly diseases, like measles and whooping cough (pertussis). Children who delay or miss vaccinations and are exposed to a disease can become seriously sick and spread it through the school and/or community.

What shots does my child need?

Children who go to school in person, as well as children who are home-schooled, are required to show proof of receiving updated vaccinations to keep them and the people around them healthy. Not sure what vaccines your child needs? Check out these easy to read schedules and other resources: www.cdc.gov/vaccines



Your school nurse can provide additional guidance on how you can provide proof of your child's vaccination to the school. They're happy to help!



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Vaccines are Safe and Effective.

Vaccines are not only safe, they also protect children from over a dozen dangerous and potentially deadly diseases. Our country has a long-standing vaccine safety program and the current U.S. vaccine supply is the safest in history. Talk with your child's doctor if you have any concerns.



Can't afford your child's vaccines?

If you need help paying for vaccines, ask your child's doctor about the **Vaccines for Children** program. This program provides free vaccines to children who are Medicaid-eligible, uninsured, underinsured. For more information, visit www.cdc.gov/vaccines/programs/vfc/parents/index.html



Need more information?

For the most current information on childhood vaccinations, look to your Health Care Provider, School Nurse, or Somerset County Department of Health.

For helpful checklists and further information, visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention www.cdc.gov/vaccines or contact the Somerset County Department of Health www.co.somerset.nj.us/health 908-231-7155

