

# REQUIRED HEALTH INFORMATION FOR ALL STUDENTS ATTENDING THATCHER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Arizona State Law applies to all students who attend public school.

## **REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE**

Every student must have proof of all required immunizations or valid exemption on file in order to attend the first day of school. Arizona law allows exemptions for medical reasons, laboratory evidence of immunity, and personal beliefs.

Every student must be immunized against Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis, Polio, Measles, Mumps, and Rubella, Chicken pox, Hepatitis B, and Meningococcal (required in 6-12<sup>th</sup> grades) according to Arizona Department of Health Services recommendations.

Each student's required immunization history must be presented at the time of registration and must be in compliance with Arizona State law. **Students cannot attend school without their immunization history on file.**

Immunization Law Sec. 15-871-874 states that the immunization history must have the **month, day, and year for each vaccine given with the name of the doctor or clinic.**

**Diphtheria**---4-5 doses with at least one dose being given at age 4 or older is required. A 6<sup>th</sup> dose is needed if 5 doses have been given before 4 years of age.

**Tdap**—1 Tdap dose is required for grades 6-12. A Td booster is required 10 years after the Tdap dose.

**Meningococcal**—1 dose is required for grades 6-12

**Polio**—3-4 doses. Three doses meet the requirement if the third dose was given at 4 years or older. 4 doses meet the requirement even if all 4 doses were given in the first year of life.

**Measles/Mump/Rubella (MMR)**—2 doses. A third dose will be required if the first dose was given before 12 months of age.

**Hepatitis B**—3 doses. A fourth dose will be required if the third dose was given before 24 weeks of age.

**Varicella**—One dose if given before 13 years of age. Two doses if first dose was given at 13 years of age or later. Students attending school prior to 9/1/2011 with parental recall of chicken pox disease are allowed to continue attendance with parental recall of disease. As of 9/01/2011 students enrolling a preschool or school for the first time are required to present proof of varicella immunization or valid exemption due to laboratory evidence of immunity, medical reasons or personal beliefs

**You may obtain immunizations at your local physician's office or at the Graham County Health Department.**

If you have any questions, please call the School Health Office at 928-348-7258