



North Carolina Immunization Program Annual Seventh Grade Immunization Report Instructions 2019-2020

PURPOSE

North Carolina immunization law (**G.S. 130A-155(c)**) requires all public, private and religious schools to submit an annual immunization report on kindergarten and 7th grade students. The purpose of these reports is to ensure that all children enrolled in your schools are protected against vaccine-preventable diseases and to determine the number of children who meet state immunization requirements.

Remember that it is the principal's responsibility to ensure accurate and complete data is submitted to the Immunization Branch by the legislatively mandated due date of November 1, 2019.

https://www.ncleg.net/EnactedLegislation/Statutes/HTML/BySection/Chapter_130A/GS_130A-155.html

School personnel must notify, as soon as possible, the parents/guardians of those children who do not meet the minimum immunization requirements on their first day of attendance (**G.S. 130A-155(a)**). Please remember that the law allows parents/guardians of unimmunized or under-immunized children 30 calendar days after the child's first day of school to obtain the required immunizations and/or documentation to meet the North Carolina immunization requirements. Upon termination of 30 calendar days or the extended period, for those in process of meeting minimum dose intervals, the principal shall not permit the child to attend the school unless the required immunizations or documentation has been obtained.

INSTRUCTIONS

The information in this report is related to compliance as of the **30th calendar day. Do not submit your report until 30 calendar days after the start of the new school year.*

1. Official School Start Date:

Enter the official first day of school.

2. Total 7th Grade Enrollment

Enter the number of students enrolled in 7th grade at your school, including those who may be repeating the grade.

3. 7th Grade Immunization Summary (as of calendar day 30). *Please assign each student to only one of the below categories (a-d).*

a. How many students had a valid medical exemption (ME) on file?

- Enter the number of students enrolled in 7th grade with a valid medical exemption to one or more of the required vaccines.
- Please refer to North Carolina G.S.130A-156 for more information.

<http://www.immunize.nc.gov/schools/ncexemptions.htm>



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b. How many students had a valid religious exemption (RE) on file?

- i. Enter the number of students enrolled in 7th grade with a valid religious exemption to one or more of the required vaccines.
- ii. Please refer to North Carolina G.S.130A-157 for more information.
<http://www.immunize.nc.gov/schools/nce exemptions.htm>

c. How many students had obtained the required immunizations for school entry?

- i. Enter the number of students that had obtained (received) the required immunizations for school entry within 30 calendar days. Do NOT include students with a medical or religious exemption.
- ii. For more information on immunizations required for 7th grade entry in North Carolina, please visit: <http://www.immunize.nc.gov/schools/k-12.htm>

d. How many students had not obtained the required immunizations for school entry?

- i. Enter the number of students that had not obtained (received) the required immunizations for school entry within 30 calendar days. This includes students with no immunization record on file as well as students missing documentation for one or more of the required vaccines. Do NOT include students with a medical or religious exemption.

e. TOTAL NUMBER OF STUDENTS REVIEWED (a + b + c + d):

This number must equal the total kindergarten enrollment entered in Question 2.

4. Of the students reported as medically exempt to the immunization requirements for school entry in question 3a, how many were medically exempt from each of the following vaccines? Students with a medical exemption to both Tdap and meningococcal vaccines should only be reported in 4a.

- a. Both Tdap and Meningococcal
- b. Tdap
- c. Meningococcal

Enter the number of students with a valid medical exemption to each of the vaccines listed. Use either Form DHHS 3987 or a Physicians Request for Medical Exemption to request a signed statement from the State Health Director that grants this exemption. The statement must explain the specific reason why each vaccine is detrimental to the student's health and the length of time the exemption will apply. A doctor's note or parent statement is not acceptable for a Medical Exemption.



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5. **Of the students reported as religiously exempt to the immunization requirements for school entry in question 3b, how many were religiously exempt from each of the following vaccines? Students with a religious exemption to both Tdap and meningococcal vaccines should only be reported in 5a.**

- a. Both Tdap and Meningococcal
- b. Tdap
- c. Meningococcal

Enter the number of students with a valid religious exemption to each of the vaccines listed. A student may be exempt when the parent or guardian submits a written statement explaining that it is against their bona fide religious belief to have their child immunized. This statement must include the name and date of birth of the person for whom the exemption is being requested. These statements do not need to be notarized, signed by a religious leader, or prepared by an attorney. They need to be kept on file but do not need to be submitted to the state for review or approval.

6. **Of the students reported in question 3d as not having a record on file or missing documentation of receiving the required immunizations for school entry, how many were missing documentation of each of the following vaccines? Students missing documentation of both Tdap and meningococcal vaccines should only be reported in 6a.**

- a. Both Tdap and Meningococcal
- b. Tdap
- c. Meningococcal

*Do NOT include students with a medical or religious exemption.

7. **Of the students reported in question 3d as not having a record on file or missing documentation of receiving the required immunizations for school entry, how many were not permitted to attend school after the 30th calendar day from the first day of attendance?**

Enter the number of students who were not allowed to attend school (excluded) because they did not meet the state immunization requirements written in NCGS 130A-155 (a) that states that "If the administration of vaccine in a series of doses given at medically approved intervals requires a period in excess of 30 calendar days, additional days upon certification by a physician may be allowed to obtain the required immunization. Upon termination of 30 days or the extended period, the principal or operator shall not permit the child to attend the school or facility unless the required immunization has been obtained."



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8. **How many students did not meet the immunization requirements for school entry within 30 calendar days of their first attendance and were given additional time to obtain the required immunizations (due to minimum dose intervals)?**

Enter the number of students who did not meet the state immunization requirements within 30 calendar days of their first attendance, that were given an extension due to the minimum dosing intervals for one or more of the immunizations required for school entry. [NCGS 130A-155 \(a\)](#) states that “If the administration of vaccine in a series of doses given at medically approved intervals requires a period in excess of 30 calendar days, additional days upon certification by a physician may be allowed to obtain the required immunization. Upon termination of 30 days or the extended period, the principal or operator shall not permit the child to attend the school or facility unless the required immunization has been obtained.”