



**Notice of Required Immunizations for Rising 7th graders and
New Entrants in grades 8th – 12th**

All 7th grade students and new entrants into a Georgia school in grades 8th through 12th are required to have one dose of the Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis) vaccine and one dose of the meningococcal conjugate vaccine by **September 1, 2021**.

“New Entrant” means any child entering any school in Georgia for the first time or entering after having been absent from a Georgia school for more than twelve months or one school year.

Once your child has received the required vaccines, please send a copy of the completed Georgia Department of Public Health Certificate of Immunization Form 3231 to his or her school no later than **September 1, 2021**.

Per Georgia law, in order for your child to remain in school, a completed immunization record must be on file for your child within the first 30 calendar days of the 2021-2022 school year.

If you have any questions about the new vaccine requirements, please contact the Thomas County Health Department at 229-226-4241 or your child’s primary physician.