

Description

Prior to the 2023–2024 school year, students entering Grade 7 or Grade 12 throughout Nevada are required to receive the meningococcal vaccine. The meningococcal vaccine is an immunization against meningitis. Students entering Grade 7 are also required to receive the tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis (Tdap) vaccine. The requirement, approved by the State Board of Health as a State Regulation, is for all public, private, and charter schools in Nevada. Students may not be permitted to attend school without these vaccinations documented or with approved exemption.

Vaccination Availability

The Southern Nevada Health District (SNHD) has three Back-to-School Vaccine Clinics in the Las Vegas valley and one in Mesquite. The <u>SNHD website</u> has additional information on availability, required forms, parent/guardian consent, and costs.

SNHD will also hold Back-to-School Vaccine Clinics at the following Clark County School District (CCSD) high schools:

- Centennial High School on April 17, and May 15, 2023, from 3:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.
- Cheyenne High School on April 24, and May 22, 2023, from 3:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.
- <u>Liberty High School</u> on April 3, April 12, and May 10, 2023, from 3:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.
- Valley High School on March 27, May 1, and May 11, 2023, from 3:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

Additionally, immunizations will be offered at the CCSD Family Support Center beginning in March. Please refer to the information on the attached flyers.

- Partnership with SNHD: Flver
- Partnership with University of Las Vegas, Nevada Health: <u>Flyer</u>

Vaccination Schedule

CCSD follows the Nevada School Immunization Guide and Enrollment Guide.

Vaccination Exemptions

All exemptions of student immunizations for religious beliefs must be submitted on the <u>State of Nevada Preschool–12th Grade–Religious Immunization Exemption Certificate</u>. This form must be completed and submitted annually to school offices.

Suggested Ways to Communicate Information

Schools are encouraged to communicate via typical venues (e.g., ParentLink, school websites, social media) to ensure parents/guardians are aware of these requirements. Immunize Nevada also has specific information for parents/guardians available in both English and Spanish.

Contact Information

For additional information, please contact Sheri McPartlin, chief nurse, Health Services at (702) 799-7443 or mcparsa@nv.ccsd.net; or Diane Lewis, executive director, Employee and Student Health Services, Inclusive Schools at (702) 799-0812 or lewisdm@nv.ccsd.net.