



Equal Opportunity Employer

PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
PLEASANT VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
476 Polk Township Road
Kunkletown, PA 18058
Telephone: (570) 402-1000 Ext. 6001 / FAX: (610) 681-3018



Home of the Bears

ROGER POMPOSELLO
Assistant Principal

ERICA L. GREER
Principal

VALERIE RUDAWSKI
Dean of Students

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Pleasant Valley Elementary School is to inspire all students toward physical, intellectual, emotional, and social growth as life long learners.

March 31, 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Department of Health is changing school immunization regulations beginning in August 2017. The regulations are intended to ensure that children attending school in the commonwealth are adequately protected against potential outbreaks of vaccine preventable diseases.

Under the regulations of the Pennsylvania Department of Health, **children in all grades (K-12) in 2017/2018** will be required to provide proof of having received the following immunizations or immunity prior to being admitted to school:

- 4 doses of tetanus, diphtheria and acellular pertussis* (1 dose administered no greater than 4 days prior to the fourth birthday)
- 4 doses polio vaccine (4th dose on or after 4th birthday and at least 6 months after previous dose given)
- 2 doses of measles, mumps, rubella**(1st dose given on or no greater than 4 days prior to the first birthday)
- 3 doses of hepatitis B vaccine (There must be at least 24 calendar days between dose 1 & 2, 2 months between dose 2 & 3 and a minimum of 4 months between dose 1 & 3, dose 3 must be given at age 24 weeks or greater.)
- 2 doses of varicella vaccine*** (1st dose given on or no greater than 4 days prior to the first birthday) or chickenpox immunity proven by laboratory testing or a written statement of history of chickenpox disease from a physician.

*Usually given as DTaP, DTP or DT or Td

**Usually given as MMR.

***There must be 28 days between the MMR and VV if they are not given on the same day.

Seventh through 12 Grade ADDITIONAL immunization requirements for attendance:

- 2 doses of meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV)
 - ◆ First dose is given 11-15 years of age; a second dose is required at age 16 or entry into 12th grade.
 - ◆ If the dose was given at 16 years age or older, only one dose is required.
- 1 dose of tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis (Tdap).

A child must have the required medically-appropriate vaccines within 5 days of the start of school or a plan to complete those vaccines or risk exclusion from school. A child may still obtain medical, religious or philosophical exemption from meeting the immunization requirements. Talk to your child's pediatrician about the vaccines your child needs to attend school.