

## **Required Immunizations**

Michigan law requires that all students must be immunized against communicable diseases in order to attend school. The State of Michigan Health Department and Newaygo County Health Department determine the requirements and exclusion date. Newaygo students who are not up-to-date on their immunizations will be excluded from school. Rules are that DTP (Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Pertussis) and TD and Polio boosters are required after 4 years of age. NO MATTER the number of doses given before 4 years of age. Two MMR (Measles, Mumps and Rubella) vaccines are required, being at least one month apart. There are also 3 doses of Hepatitis B required. Effective 2002-03 school year Varicella (chicken pox) immunization is required. Only one dose is required if received on or after 1st birthday but prior to the student's 13th birthday OR 2 doses are required one month apart if the child received the first dose after their 13th birthday. These diseases are very serious and life threatening. Keep your child up-to-date with immunizations.