





# School Health Nursing Immunization Program

	2015/2016	2016/2017 Change/Addition	2017/2018 Change/Addition
<p><b>What's happening in the Immunization program</b></p> 	<p><b>Grade 1:</b> Review each student's immunization record and offer eligible vaccines</p> <p><b>Grade 5:</b> Hepatitis B, Human Papilloma Virus vaccines</p> <p><b>Grade 9:</b> Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis, Meningococcal, Human Papilloma Virus vaccines</p>	<p><b>Grades 1 &amp; 5:</b> Review each student's immunization record and offer eligible vaccines</p> <p><u>PLUS</u> <b>Grade 5:</b> Hepatitis B, Human Papilloma Virus vaccines</p> <p><b>Grade 9:</b> Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis, Meningococcal, Human Papilloma Virus vaccines</p>	<p><b>Grades 1,5 &amp; 9:</b> Review each student's immunization record and offer eligible vaccines</p> <p><u>PLUS</u> <b>Grade 5:</b> Hepatitis B, Human Papilloma Virus vaccines</p> <p><b>Grade 9:</b> Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis, Meningococcal, Human Papilloma Virus vaccines</p>
<p><b>What's happening in the classroom</b></p> 	<p><b>Grades 5 &amp; 9:</b></p> <p>Distribution and collection of consent forms</p> <p>Antigen education</p>	<p><b>Grade 4:</b></p> <p>Distribution of letters to parents and collection of immunization records</p>	<p><b>Grades 4 &amp; 8:</b></p> <p>Distribution of letters to parents and collection of immunization records</p>
<p><b>Why it's important</b></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Immunization has often been cited as one of the greatest medical success stories in human history</li> <li>• Immunization is not required by law in Canada. However, under Alberta's Public Health Act unimmunized persons can be ordered by the Medical Officer of Health to stay home for specified periods of time after being exposed to a vaccine-preventable illness such as Red Measles</li> <li>• Better immunization rates mean healthier students and communities. Healthy kids learn better!</li> </ul>		
<p><b>How we can work together</b></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create a successful partnership with your School Nurse to ensure that immunization of children occurs in a safe &amp; supportive environment</li> <li>• Normalize the immunization process and teach students strategies to cope with anxiety</li> <li>• Use positive language about immunization.</li> <li>• Protect health information</li> <li>• Provide nurse contact information and notify parents when immunizations will occur.</li> </ul>		
<p><b>Where can I find more information</b></p>	<p><a href="https://myhealth.alberta.ca/Alberta/Pages/Questions-about-school-immunization.aspx">https://myhealth.alberta.ca/Alberta/Pages/Questions-about-school-immunization.aspx</a>  <a href="http://www.albertahealthservices.ca/info/csh.aspx">http://www.albertahealthservices.ca/info/csh.aspx</a>  <a href="http://immunizealberta.ca/">http://immunizealberta.ca/</a></p>		