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## **Special Appointments Available For Back to School Immunizations**

In conjunction with kindergarten registration and to help parents prepare for 2017-2018 school immunization requirements, Southeastern Idaho Public Health (SIPH) is encouraging parents to call and schedule an appointment for their child to get immunized. Each participating student will be entered for the chance to win a Kindle Fire tablet; there will be multiple winners in each county office!

In order to enter kindergarten, children are required to have 5 DTaP, 2 MMR, 4 Polio, 3 Hepatitis B, 2 Varicella (Chickenpox), and 2 Hepatitis A immunizations.

In order to enter 7th grade, children are required to have 1 Tdap and 1 Meningococcal immunization. In addition to school required vaccines, the American Academy of Pediatrics recommends all 11 year-olds also receive the Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) vaccine.

Parents are asked bring their child's up-to-date immunization record and any health coverage information (insurance cards) with them to the clinic. No child will be denied routine vaccinations based on an inability to pay. SIPH can complete any unfinished routine vaccination series.

To schedule an appointment or to get more information on immunization requirements, please call Southeastern Idaho Public Health at 527-3463 or visit [www.siphidaho.org](http://www.siphidaho.org).

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