

# School and Child Care Community Checklist

## What you can do to Prevent and Prepare for Measles



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	Maintain students' school immunization records.	<p>The <a href="#">Colorado Immunization Information System (CIIS)</a> can help you verify student immunization records.</p> <p>For questions, email <a href="mailto:cdphe_ciis_schools@state.co.us">cdphe_ciis_schools@state.co.us</a></p>
	Maintain parent/guardian contact information.	Schools need to be able to reach parents/guardians quickly in case of an emergency or to share important information.
	Verify that students are current for all school/child care-required vaccines according to their age, or have a current exemption on file.	Colorado law ( <a href="#">6 CCR 1009-2</a> ) requires students attending a licensed child care, camp, or school to be current on all <a href="#">school-required vaccines</a> , including measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR), or have an <a href="#">exemption</a> in place.
	Identify your school's MMR vaccination rate	<p>95% of people need to be vaccinated to prevent the rapid spread of measles.</p> <p>Find your school or child cares's immunization and exemption rates: <a href="#">Colorado School and Child Care Immunization Data</a></p>
	Identify students not vaccinated against measles (MMR).	<p>2 doses of MMR are required for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All school-age children, kindergarten through grade 12</li> </ul> <p>1 dose of MMR is required for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All preschool children, on or after the first birthday and before 16 months age.</li> <li>Two doses are required for kindergarten entry.</li> </ul> <p>Students who are not up to date with the MMR vaccination could be excluded from school or child care for 21 days or more if exposed to measles.</p>

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	Inform school community members about those who may be at risk for severe disease if they get measles.	<p>Those at greater risk include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Infants and Children aged &lt;5 years</li> <li>• Those who are pregnant and have not been vaccinated against measles.</li> <li>• Individuals with weakened immune systems</li> </ul>
	Educate and strongly encourage staff to <a href="#">locate their vaccine records</a> and to <a href="#">get vaccinated</a> if they are not protected against measles.	<p>School K-12 public school staff are not required to provide vaccine records to their schools.</p> <p>Per licensing requirements (<a href="#">2.200</a>, <a href="#">2.400</a>, and <a href="#">2.500</a>), Child care and preschool staff must be current for all immunizations required by their employer, and must sign a statement indicating their immunizations are current. Note that a statement of immunity without documentation (i.e. vaccine record or lab result) is not acceptable evidence of immunity.</p> <p>If staff (including volunteers) are exposed to measles, they should be prepared to present <a href="#">evidence of immunity</a> to measles, which includes one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Written documentation of adequate MMR vaccination</li> <li>• Laboratory evidence of immunity</li> <li>• Laboratory confirmation of prior measles disease</li> <li>• Born before 1957 (except <a href="#">health care providers</a>)</li> </ul> <p>Staff (including volunteers) who do not have <a href="#">presumptive evidence of immunity</a> against measles could be excluded from school for 21 days or more if they are exposed to measles. .</p> <p><a href="#">Standard MMR vaccine recommendations</a>  <a href="#">How to locate vaccine records</a>  <a href="#">Get vaccinated</a></p>
	Ensure school community members know the signs and symptoms of measles.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CDPHE - Infectious Disease Guidelines: <a href="#">Measles</a></li> <li>• CDPHE - <a href="#">Measles webpage</a></li> <li>• CDC - <a href="#">Measles Fact Sheet - English</a></li> <li>• CDC - <a href="#">Measles Fact Sheet - Spanish</a></li> </ul>
	Strengthen health messaging to school community members.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Measles is Highly Contagious Infographic</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Cover Your Cough Posters - Multiple Languages</a></li> <li>• CDPHE - <a href="#">Measles communication toolkit</a></li> <li>• CDC   Be ready for measles toolkit: <a href="#">Outbreak communication and factsheets</a></li> </ul>
	Identify a separate space to care for sick individuals.	According to <a href="#">6 CCR 1010-6</a> separate rooms or areas shall be available in every school for emergency use in providing care for persons who are ill, or suspected of having communicable diseases. Consider identifying a room with a door that does not share airspace with other students and staff.

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	Verify personal protective equipment (PPE) supply inventory.	<p>N95 masks can help decrease the spread of measles, and should be worn by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Individuals with measles symptoms</li> <li>• Individuals caring for people with measles symptoms</li> </ul>
	Review CDPHE resources.	<p>Please visit the <a href="#">CDPHE measles webpage</a> for additional resources such as <a href="#">What you can do to prepare now for measles</a> and the <a href="#">Infectious disease guidelines</a> for school/child care guidance (available in Spanish).</p>
	Stay informed.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">CDPHE measles webpage</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">CDC measles cases and outbreaks webpage</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health Measles Outbreak Response Dashboard</a></li> </ul>
	Help school community members access needed vaccines.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CDPHE <a href="#">Mobile Public Health Clinic Program</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Get vaccinated</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Find a free or low-cost vaccine provider</a></li> </ul>
	Review public health reporting requirements.	<p>Measles is required to be immediately reported to CDPHE at 303-692-2700 (after hours 303-370-9395) or your <a href="#">local public health agency</a> per Colorado regulation 6 CCR 1009-1, including schools and licensed child care providers. Public health can conduct a risk assessment of possible cases, consult on testing recommendations, and determine if there is a need for immediate implementation of disease control strategies.</p>
	Identify school core planning team to support school community needs related to measles.	<p>Consider school-level representatives, including administrators, educators, staff and familiar with the needs of students with disabilities, school psychologists, nurses, facilities managers, transportation managers, food services, and family services representatives.</p>
	Identify essential district personnel and contact information to support school community needs related to measles.	<p>Consider district-level administrators, the communications department, human resources, facilities management, and the risk management department.</p>
	Identify local public health agency personnel and contact information	<p>Find your <a href="#">local public health agency</a></p>

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	Identify state public health agency personnel and contact information - Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE)	The Communicable Disease branch at the CDPHE can help child care providers, child care health consultants, school personnel, and school nurses when infectious disease issues arise and can be reached at <b>303-692-2700</b> .
	Develop a communication plan to inform school community members	Consider developing plans to communicate information to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• District personnel</li> <li>• School staff</li> <li>• Students</li> <li>• Families</li> <li>• Visitors</li> </ul>
	Develop plans to address the needs of individuals who may need to quarantine.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students and staff who do not have evidence of immunity could be excluded from school for 21 days or more if they are exposed to measles.</li> <li>• U.S. Department of Education Office for Civil Rights: <a href="#">Addressing the Risk of Measles in Schools while Protecting the Civil Rights of Students with Disabilities</a></li> </ul>

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**Individuals completing checklist**