

## IMMUNIZATIONS

Based on the Centers for Disease Control and the American College Health Association guidelines, all students entering Wartburg College born after 1956 are required to show **proof of two MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)** vaccinations at least 28 days apart after 12 months of age. **Varicella (chicken pox), Tetanus/Diphtheria, and Polio Booster vaccinations are also required.** Most individuals have had to meet this requirement for primary school, so the easiest way to locate your records is to check with your family physician's office, school system, or childhood records your parents/guardians may have. If you cannot find your records, you may receive the vaccine at Noah Campus Health Clinic for a fee. Failure to provide vaccination and required health records could result in a hold on your student account, thereby not allowing enrollment.

New international students are required to complete a TB test with Noah Campus Health Clinic upon arriving to campus. Proof of natural immunity through documentation of physician-diagnosed disease or a positive serum titer may be substituted in place of vaccination documentation.

Although not required, it is recommended that students be vaccinated against hepatitis B, hepatitis A, and meningitis. To access all required health forms for new and returning students, including student athletes, visit [www.wartburg.edu/health](http://www.wartburg.edu/health).

Students may request medical or religious exemptions from receiving immunization(s) by submitting one of the following to the Noah Campus Health Clinic:

**Religious exemption:** Signed letter from their religious official attesting that:

- The immunization conflicts with a genuine and sincere religious belief.
- The belief is religious, not merely based on philosophical, scientific, moral, personal or medical opposition to immunization.

**Medical exemption:** Medical reasons for the exemption request are acceptable if:

- Vaccine(s) are injurious to the health and well-being of the student.
- A medical exemption may apply to a single vaccine, multiple vaccines, or all required immunizations.

To be valid, the Certificate of Immunization Exemption must be completed and signed by a physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner stating the vaccine(s) that is/are medically contraindicated.