

Camp Krem Immunization Policy



Safety and public health are of the utmost importance to Camp Krem. The vaccination of all members of a community creates conditions that protect everyone in it, but especially young children, babies, the elderly, pregnant women, immunocompromised and immunosuppressed individuals, and those who cannot be immunized from harmful and life-threatening diseases.

Camp Krem requires that all campers and staff shall provide documented evidence of immunity to or freedom from the following diseases before attending camp.

Disease	Acceptable Evidence
Polio	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Documentation of age-appropriate polio vaccinations;
Chickenpox	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Documentation of age-appropriate varicella vaccination; Birth in the United States before 1980; Laboratory evidence of immunity to or laboratory confirmation of disease; OR Diagnosis or verification of a history of varicella or herpes zoster by a healthcare provider
Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Pertussis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Documentation of age-appropriate diphtheria, tetanus, and pertussis vaccinations (DTap, Tdap, and/or TD); AND The most recent tetanus vaccination must have been given within ten years of attending camp.
Measles, Mumps, and Rubella	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Documentation of age-appropriate measles, mumps, and rubella vaccinations; Laboratory evidence of immunity to or laboratory confirmation of all three diseases;
Hepatitis B	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Documentation of 2, 3, or 4 Hepatitis B vaccinations; OR Laboratory evidence of Hepatitis B surface antibody (anti-HBs)
Tuberculosis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A negative tuberculosis screening is required if deemed necessary by the camper's healthcare provider. Acceptable screening includes a skin test (PPD), blood test (IGRA), or chest x-ray. If the camper's healthcare provider determines that the camper is not at high risk for TB, the provider may indicate this on Camp Krem's medical form, and no TB test will be required.

COVID-19 (updated January 2026):

Camp Krem serves a community that includes individuals who are medically vulnerable and immunocompromised. For this reason, we **strongly encourage all campers and staff to be up to date on their COVID-19 vaccination prior to attending camp.**

At this time, COVID-19 vaccination is not required for participation in Camp Krem programs. However, vaccination remains one of the most effective tools to reduce the risk of severe illness and transmission.

Camp Krem reserves the right to adjust vaccination guidance or implement additional mitigation measures in response to changing public health conditions or guidance from the CDC, State of California, Madera County Department of Public Health, or the American Camp Association.

More information about Camp Krem's Covid-19 protocols can be found at campingunlimited.org/covid-19/

Policy Exceptions:

All campers are required to be fully immunized except for those campers who have one of the following medical exceptions: a weakened immune system from cancer, chemotherapy, radiation therapy, severe allergy, recent blood transfusion.

In the instance that a camper does have a current true medical exception, documentation from the camper's physician specifically identifying the medical exception must be furnished to Camp Krem. Generalized medical diagnosis, religious or personal preference exemptions are not acceptable exemptions for participation in Camp Krem programs. A medical reason relating to autism or other chronic conditions will not be accepted. Medical reason will be verified with the camper's physician prior to being accepted.

With the approved medical exception, a camper who attends camp without immunizations may be dismissed from Camp in the event of an outbreak of a disease that the camper is not immunized for. Dismissal may be for all or part of the remaining session. In this case, a refund of tuition will not be given. Dismissal will be requested for an outbreak in the camper's home area or within Madera County. This both protects the camper who isn't immunized and any other participant in Camp Krem's program who may be at risk.