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SDSU IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENT
South Dakota State requires all students who will enroll in on-campus, face-to-face courses to submit proof of two MMR immunizations. MMR is Measles, Mumps, Rubella.
There are many ways in which you can submit your records to SDSU. Save time at Orientation by sending them directly to the Student Health Clinic prior to your New Student Orientation session.
MAIL: BOX 2818, Wellness Center, SDSU, Brookings, SD 57007
FAX: (605) 688-6450
E-MAIL: sdsu.shc@sdstate.edu
You also have the option to bring your immunizations records with you to New Student Orientation. There will be time during check-in for you to turn them in to our Student Health Clinic staff.
If for any reason you are unable to provide your immunizations records prior to or at the time of your NSO session, you will need to visit with Student Health about obtaining a temporary immunization waiver. The waiver will allow you to register for courses; however, you must have your records submitted prior to the start of classes this fall.
How do I get my records?
Your healthcare provider should be able to provide you with a copy of your immunizations records, which we can accept as proof of immunity. The records must include your name, birth date, health care provider information, and date and type of immunization given.
Your healthcare provider can also complete the mandatory immunization record form available at SDSU Immunization Information.

AN INTRODUCTION TO PLACEMENT AT SDSU
As we've said before (and as we'll keep saying), we are in the business of student success. That means we’re here to help students realize their own potential and equip them with the tools that allow them to foster their own academic successes.

One of those tools is placement. Placement is the method we use to determine in which courses a student should enroll at SDSU in order to reach the highest level of success in those courses and any subsequent courses they might take in the same subject.

What courses are determined by placement?
English: based on a student's ACT English sub-score.
Reading: based on a student's ACT reading sub-score.
Math: based on a student’s Math Index, which is calculated using the ACT math sub-score and unweighted high school GPA.
Chemistry: recommended placement is based on an online exam administered by the Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry.
Modern Language: recommended placement is based on an online exam administered by the Department of Modern Languages. The exam is available for courses in French, German and Spanish.

How do I know my placement?
Students attending New Student Orientation will receive a personalized profile sheet upon check-in that will include information specific to them – student ID number, test scores and course placement recommendations for English, math and reading.

What should I do prior to NSO?
While you don’t have to do anything about placement before you get here, we strongly encourage you to get a baseline familiarity with the content ahead of time. Reading through our placement information and preparing and asking your questions now will only serve to benefit you at Orientation.

Learn more about placement.
Visit NSO's confirmation page and click on "SDSU Placement Information on the right side of the page.

GET TO KNOW NSO VOLUME 2015 EDITION 3

It’s here! The next edition of SDSU’s GET TO KNOW NSO e-newsletter.
TIP: If you’ve only skimmed our other newsletters thus far, now is the time to be thorough. Placement and immunizations are going to impact every new student attending SDSU this fall – including YOU.
Find all previous editions of the GTK NSO e-newsletter at GET TO KNOW NSO.
We can’t say it enough! Please read through this information carefully and share it with those who need it. You’re getting closer to JACkRABBIT READY!

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We’ll see you this summer!