

HEALTH

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for community protection. And measles are beginning to appear again, including six recent Kentucky cases.

Schools statewide participate in the annual Kentucky School Immunization Survey, which mirrors these declining trends with 53 counties improving and 66 declining.

The All-Vaccination rate for kindergarten students in Carroll County was 91.4% in 2024-25 — up from 90.2 in 2023-24 but lower than the 91.5 in 2022-23. Trimble County was 91.2% in 2024-25 — up

from 82.4 in 2023-24 but down from 91.3 in 2022-23. Just six years ago Trimble's rate was 98.9% in 2019-2020.

The all-Vaccination rate for Carroll County seventh graders was 90.7% in 2024-25, 94.8% in 2023-24 and 95.7 in 2022-23 after being 57.8 in 2020-21 and 64.6 in 2021-22. Trimble County's was 73.9 in 2024-25 and 71.4 in 2023-24 after being 93.8 in 2019-2020.

The rates among 11th graders falls off severely in both Carroll and Trimble — as well as the state as a whole — with Carroll 63.4% in 2024-25 —

a huge gain over 2022-23 when the rate was 23.0 — while Trimble was 65.4 in 2024-25 after just 46.7% in 2023-24 and 68.1% in 2022-23.

Figures from the state website show the measles vaccine shows 73.61% of the kindergarten-age children have up-to-date shots. Hepatitis A immunization is recorded here at 78.1% and Hepatitis B, a three-dose series, is 81.53%. The Haemophilus influenzae type B vaccine, commonly known as Hib vaccine, shows 34.3% of 6 year olds protected from the

respiratory ailment.

Kentucky law allows parents to use a religious or medical exemption as a reason to not have their children vaccinated. In recent years, anti-vaccination movements have raised questions about side effects and the very success of vaccines in reducing common childhood ailments have resulted in more parents being hesitant about the shots.

Woodrum encouraged parents to trust the 50 years of use in the U.S. and what

she called "a very strong safety profile."

She said any side effects are minimal and mild while the full series of vaccines are shown to be between 97 and 99% effective in warding off

the illnesses.

Woodrum also cited a Centers for Disease Control statement that vaccines are among the safest medical products available.

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Notice is hereby given that Carroll County Fiscal Court conducted a second reading and final adoption of an Ordinance Relating to Street-Legal Special Purpose Vehicles on Tuesday, June 24, 2025. A copy of the full ordinance is available in the Office of the County Judge, 440 Main Street, Carrollton, KY 41008 during normal business hours.

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