

INOCULATIONS OF STUDENTS

Students enrolled in grades K-12 are required to have written proof on file at their school verifying that they have been immunized against diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, poliomyelitis, measles, mumps and rubella, hepatitis B and (for grade K beginning in 2006-2007) varicella. Attached is a summary of current immunization requirements, as well as changes which are progressive until 2011-2012 school year when it will be required for all students in grades K through 12. The varicella immunization requirement is progressive up to the 2018-2019 school year when it will be required for all students in grades K through 12.

Students who are not in compliance may be excluded from school attendance no later than the fifteenth day after admissions. Compliance with any current Ohio Department of Health requirement supercedes our current practice until such time Board policy can reflect such update.

Students who have received at least one of each of the following immunizations may remain in school: diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (DPT/DT/Td); polio vaccine (OPV or IPV); measles, mumps and rubella vaccine (MMR) and hepatitis B vaccine (Hep B) and (for grade K beginning 2006-2007) varicella. However, they must make satisfactory progress in completing all the required vaccines to maintain their "in process" status. Failure to do so is cause for exclusion from school attendance.

Exemptions include students who present a written statement that immunization is objectionable for religious reason or other reasons of "good cause". Similarly, a student is exempt if he/she presents a physician's statement that immunization against a particular disease (or all diseases) is "medically contraindicated". A history of measles or mumps and/or varicella disease may be substituted for the measles, mumps and/or varicella vaccinations. However, a history of rubella disease may not be substituted for rubella vaccine, except that laboratory test results, submitted by a physician, demonstrating detectable rubella antibody will be accepted in lieu of vaccination.

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