

REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS

The Superintendent or designee shall provide parents/guardians, upon school registration, a written notice summarizing the state's immunization requirements.

The Superintendent or designee shall not unconditionally admit any student to a district elementary or secondary school, preschool, or child care and development program nor advance a student to specified grade levels unless that student has presented documentation of full immunization, in accordance with the age/grade and dose required by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), against the following diseases: (Health and Safety Code 120335; 17 CCR 6020)

1. Measles, mumps and rubella (MMR)
2. Diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis (whooping cough) (DTP, DTaP, or Tdap)
3. Poliomyelitis (polio)
4. Hepatitis B
5. Varicella (chickenpox)
6. Haemophilus influenza type b (Hib meningitis)
7. Any other disease designated by the CDPH

The student's immunization record shall be provided by the student's health care provider or from the student's previous school immunization record. The record must show the date that each dose was administered.

EXEMPTIONS

Exemption from immunization requirements is allowed when: (Health and Safety Code 120365, 120370; 17 CCR 6051)

1. The student's parent/guardian states in writing that immunization is contrary to his/her beliefs.
However, if there is good cause to believe that the student has been exposed to one of the communicable diseases listed above, the student may be temporarily excluded from school until the local public health officer is satisfied that the student is no longer at risk of developing the disease. (cf. 6141.2 - Recognition of Religious Beliefs and Customs)
2. The student's parent/guardian provides a written statement by a licensed physician that the physical condition or medical circumstances of the student are such that immunization is unsafe or is permanently not indicated, in which case the student shall be exempted to the extent indicated by the physician's statement.

EXCLUSIONS DUE TO LACK OF IMMUNIZATIONS

Any student without the required evidence of immunization may be excluded from school until the immunization is obtained or the student presents a letter or affidavit of exemption from his/her parent/guardian or physician to the Superintendent or designee. (cf. 5112.2 - Exclusions from Attendance) (cf. 6183 - Home and Hospital Instruction)

Before an already admitted student is excluded from school attendance because of lack of immunization, the Superintendent or designee shall notify the parent/guardian that he/she has 10 school days to supply evidence of proper immunization or an appropriate letter of exemption. (Education Code 48216; 17 CCR 6040)

This notice shall refer the parent/guardian to the student's usual source of medical care or, if the student has no usual source of medical care, then to the county health department or school immunization program, if any. (Education Code 48216)

The Superintendent or designee shall exclude from further attendance any already admitted student who fails to obtain the required immunization within 10 school days following the parent/guardian's receipt of the notice specified above, unless the student is exempt from immunization for medical reasons or personal beliefs. The student shall remain excluded from school until he/she has received another dose of each required vaccine due at that time. The student shall also be reported to the attendance supervisor or principal. (17 CCR 6055)

CONDITIONAL ENROLLMENT

The Superintendent or designee may conditionally admit a student with documentation from an authorized health care provider that: (Health and Safety Code 120340; 17 CCR 6000, 6035)

1. He/she has received some but not all required immunizations and is not due for any vaccine dose at the time of admission
2. He/she has a temporary exemption from immunization for medical reasons

The Superintendent or designee shall notify the student's parents/guardians of the date by which the student must complete all the remaining doses when they become due as specified in 17 CCR 6035.

The Superintendent or designee shall review the immunization record of each student admitted conditionally every 30 days until that student has received all the required immunizations. If the student does not receive the required immunizations within the specified time limits, he/she shall be excluded from further attendance until the immunizations are received. (Health and Safety Code 120375; 17 CCR 6070)

RECORDS

The Superintendent or designee shall record each new entrant's immunizations in the California School Immunization Record and retain it as part of the student's mandatory permanent student record. District staff shall maintain the confidentiality of immunization records and may disclose such information to state and local health departments only in accordance with law. (Health and Safety Code 120375, 120440; 17 CCR 6070) (cf. 5125 - Student Records)