Washington County School District
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District Policy 2330

Student Immunizations

Health/Safety/Welfare Washington County School District - Adopted 8-79; Revised 6-9-92/12-8-98/9-12-00; Revised 11-11-03; Revised 3-21-06; (Updated Code References 4-15-26)

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1. Purpose:

To comply with the immunization requirements of the State of Utah and prevent potential illness due to vaccine preventable disease exposure in the schools. (11-11-03)

2. Policy:

Washington County School District will comply with the Utah Code Title 53G, Chapter 9, Part 3 (Immunization Requirements) and Utah Administrative Rule R396-100 (Immunization Rule for Students).

3. Procedure:

3.1. Schools will accept any immunization record signed by a licensed physician, registered nurse, or public health official as evidence of immunizations.

3.2. Schools are required to keep on file a completed vaccination certificate for each child. This record is part of the student's permanent school record (Cumulative folder) as defined in Utah Code § 53G-9-302 and shall transfer with the student's record to any new school.

3.2.1. A student may not enter school without a certificate of immunization.

3.2.2. A student who, at the time of school enrollment, has not been completely immunized against each specified disease may attend school under a conditional enrollment if the student has received one dose of each specified vaccine prior to enrollment, and continues to complete the required immunizations. (Utah Code § 53G-9-302)

3.2.3. A student under a conditional enrollment must complete all required immunizations within the designated period or be excluded under the authority of the Southwest Utah Public Health Department pursuant to Utah Code § 26B-1-102 and Rule R396-100-7.

3.2.4. A parent may claim an exemption to immunizations for medical, religious, or personal reasons, as allowed by Utah Code § 53G-9-303. Each exemption claimed must be accompanied by the appropriate Utah Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Exemption Form. One or more of the following may be presented to the appropriate official of the school:

3.2.4.1. A certificate from a licensed physician stating that due to the physical condition of the student, one or more specified immunizations would endanger the student's life or health.

3.2.4.2. A completed form obtained from the Utah Department of Health and Human Services (usually via the online education module), providing:

3.2.4.2.1. A statement that the person has a personal or religious belief opposed to immunizations.

3.2.4.2.2. Verification that the parent/guardian has completed the online immunization education module required by Utah Code § 53G-9-304.

3.2.4.3. A student for whom an exemption is claimed may be excluded from school if an outbreak of any vaccine-preventable disease occurs. Exclusion is for the duration of the outbreak.

3.2.5. Students who meet the requirement of homeless under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Act will have 30 days to meet the immunization requirements.