

## Students

**SUBJECT: IMMUNIZATION OF STUDENTS**

Every child entering or attending a District school must present proof of immunization or proof of immunity by serology (blood test) if applicable unless:

- a) A New York State licensed physician certifies that the immunization is detrimental to the child's health. The requirement for that immunization is waived until the immunization is no longer detrimental to the child's health; or
- b) The student's parent or persons in parental relation hold genuine and sincere religious beliefs which are contrary to the requirement. In these cases, the principal will make a case-by-case determination as to whether to grant the exemption after receiving a written and signed statement from the parent(s) or persons in parental relation to the child. New York State does not recognize exemptions based on their personal or philosophical beliefs.

Except for these two exemptions, the District may not permit a student lacking evidence of immunization to remain in school for more than 14 days, or more than 30 days for an out-of-state or out-of-country transferee who can show a good faith effort to get the necessary certification or other evidence of immunization.

For homeless children, the enrolling school must immediately refer the parent or guardian of the student to the District's homeless liaison, who must assist them in obtaining the necessary immunizations, or immunization or medical records.

The administration will notify the local health authority of the name and address of excluded students and provide the parent or person in parental relation a statement of his or her duty regarding immunization as well as a consent form prescribed by the Commissioner of Health. The school will cooperate with the local health authorities to provide a time and place for the immunization of these students.

The District will provide an annual summary of compliance with immunization requirements to the Commissioner of Health.

All schools will also post educational information on influenza and the benefits of influenza immunization. The information will be in plain view and available to parents.

Education Law §§ 310 and 914  
Public Health Law §§ 2164 and 2168  
8 NYCRR Part 136  
10 NYCRR Subpart 66-1

NOTE: Refer also to Policy #7131 -- Education of Homeless Children and Youth

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