



Subject: Immunizations

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To protect the health of all students and staff and to curtail the spread of infectious diseases, the Governing Board desires to cooperate with state and local health agencies to encourage immunization of all school students against preventable diseases.

Students entering a school or transferring between school campuses, shall present an immunization record which shows at least the month and year of each immunization in accordance with law. Students shall be excluded from school or exempted from immunization requirements only as allowed by law.

Enrollment

The Charter shall not unconditionally admit any student to a school unless that student has presented documentation of full immunizations.

Immunizations for Grades TK-12

Students entering the school in grades TK through 12 shall have all immunizations in adherence to California State Guidelines as specified in Health and Safety Code Section 120325-120375, and Title 17, California Code of Regulations Sections 6000-6075.

Exemptions

Exemption from immunization requirements is allowed when:

1. 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. The document must indicate:
 - a. If the condition is permanent or temporary. Temporary exemptions shall not exceed twelve months from the date of the licensed physician's written statement
 - b. Each specific required immunization from which the pupil is exempt.
2. The student has an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) **and** the parent has asked that immunizations be waived.

3. The student is going to be enrolled in our five-day/week independent study programs (ie: Homeschool, Venture, and Keys).

If there is good cause to believe that the student has been exposed to one of the communicable diseases, the student may be temporarily excluded from school until the local health officer is satisfied that the student is no longer at risk of developing the disease.

Exclusions Due to Lack of Immunizations

Any student without the required evidence of immunizations may be excluded from school until the immunization is obtained.

Before a student is excluded from school on-site attendance because of lack of immunizations, the Charter shall notify the parent/guardian that s/he has 10 school days in which to supply evidence of proper immunizations or an appropriate letter of exemption. This notice shall refer the parent/guardian to the child's usual source of medical care. If no usual source of medical care exists, the parent/guardian shall be referred to the county health department.

The Charter shall exclude from further on-site attendance any student who fails to obtain the required immunizations within 10 school days from the receipt of the parent/guardian notice specified above. The student shall remain excluded from on-site attendance until s/he has received another dose of each required vaccine due at that time.

Foster/Homeless Students

For foster/homeless students a transfer student may be conditionally admitted for up to 30 school days while his/her immunization records are being transferred from the previous school. If these records do not arrive within 30 school days, the student shall present written documentation by a physician, nurse, or clinic showing that the required immunizations were received. If such documentation is not presented, the student shall be excluded from school until immunization requirements are met.