



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 the immunization of all school students against preventable diseases.

Students entering a school or transferring between school campuses shall present an immunization record that shows at least the month and year of each immunization in accordance with the 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. A CAIR - ME medical exemption is presented. Medical exemptions can only be issued through the California Immunization Registry – Medical Exemption website ([CAIR-ME](#)) by physicians licensed in California. OR A medical exemption issued prior to January 2021, that has not expired and that was valid when initially enrolled in a previous school is presented. Must not have been revoked due to disciplinary action from the issuing physician's licensing entity. Entry into TK/K and 7th grade require a new CAIR-ME medical exemption.

2. The student has an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) and the parent has asked that immunizations be waived. 3. The student is 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 may/shall be excluded from school until immunization requirements are met.