



Boulder Valley School District

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IMMUNIZATION OF STUDENTS

Under law, no child shall be permitted to attend or continue to attend any school in this District unless the child can present certification from a licensed physician or authorized representative of the State Department of Health or local health department stating that the child has received immunizations against communicable diseases as specified by the Department of Health. The certificate must be presented to the appropriate school official at the time of admission. Students who do not submit (1) a current certificate of immunization; (2) a written authorization signed by a parent or guardian requesting that local officials administer the immunization to the student; or (3) a valid statement of exemption from immunization will not be admitted to a District school.

If a student attending a District school is not in compliance with the immunization requirements, the school nurse or designee will give notification of the deficiency to the student's parent or guardian or, if the student is emancipated or over the age of 18, the student. Notification shall be made by phone, in person, or in writing. Within 14 days of this notification, the parent, guardian, or student (if emancipated or over the age of 18) must submit either (1) a valid statement of exemption from immunization; or (2) completion of all required immunizations in the future. The scheduling of immunizations in the written plan shall follow the medically recommended minimum intervals for immunizations approved by the state board of health. If the student does not submit either of these documents or fails to complete the schedule of immunizations detailed in the written plan, he or she shall be suspended or expelled in accordance with state law.

A suspension or expulsion under this policy shall not be recorded as a disciplinary action but shall be recorded with the student's immunization record. Any exclusion from school under this policy shall terminate upon evidence that the immunization requirements or exemption procedures have been satisfied.

Exemptions to the immunization requirement may be granted to medical, religious, or personal reasons. In order for a student to qualify for a medical exemption, a licensed physician must certify in writing that the physical condition of the student is such that one or more specified immunizations would endanger his or her life or health or is medically contraindicated. In order to obtain an exemption based upon religious or personal reasons, a parent, guardian, emancipated student, or student 18 years of age or older must sign and submit a statement attesting to adherence to the teaching a religious belief opposed to immunizations or the holding of a personal belief that is opposed to immunizations.

LEGAL REFS.:
C.R.S. 22-32-106(3)(e)
6 C.C.R. 1009-2

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