



Religious Immunization Requirements Exemption

Student Name: _____ **Grade:** _____ **Date of Birth:** _____

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Please review the statements below and return this signed acknowledgement to the Minuteman health office to request religious exemption from immunizations. This form can be downloaded from the nurse's website at Minuteman.org.

Sincerely,

Minuteman Nurses
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As a parent (or guardian) of the above named child, a minor enrolled in the public schools, I request that he/she be exempt from the immunization requirements in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 76, Section 15, General Laws of Massachusetts, because such requirements conflict with our sincere religious beliefs.

I understand when a case of a vaccine-preventable disease emerges, susceptible individuals (including those with medical or religious exemptions) who are not immunized will need to be excluded for the appropriate time periods as outlined in *Reportable Diseases, Surveillance and Isolation & Quarantine Requirements* (105 CMR 300.000).

I also understand I will be asked annually to submit in writing my child's immunization exemption status. I may also choose to have my child immunized against certain diseases but remain exempt from others according to my religious beliefs.

Parent Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Part of an act further regulating immunization of school children:

"In the absence of an emergency or epidemic of disease declared by the Department of Public Health, no child whose parent or guardian states in writing that vaccination or immunization conflicts with his sincere religious beliefs shall be required to present said physician's certificate in order to be admitted to school."

Chapter 76, Section 15 Massachusetts General Laws

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