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## Welcome to the Issaquah School District

Washington State law requires all students be fully immunized **before** attending school. Recent changes to WA State law are:

- 1. A personal, medical or religious exemption to immunizing your child requires the signature of a parent/guardian **and** a licensed health care provider.
- 2. Personal/philosophical exemptions are **not** allowed for the measles, mumps & rubella (MMR) vaccine.
- 3. Immunization records for school and childcare entry must be medically verified. Medically verified record includes one or more of the following:
  - A Certificate of Immunization Status (CIS) printed from the Immunization Information System (IIS)
  - A physical copy of the CIS form with a healthcare provider signature
  - A physical copy of the CIS with accompanying medical immunization records from a healthcare provider verified and signed by school staff

If your child has received immunizations in Washington State, please access their Certificate of Immunization Status (CIS) electronically through the Washington State Immunization Information System at: <a href="https://wa.myir.net/">https://wa.myir.net/</a>

If you have not accessed this site before, you will need to register on the site to print the CIS.

If you cannot access a CIS form, you may fill out one manually and then show it with provider proof of immunizations to the school nurse.

If you cannot locate your child's immunization records, please contact your licensed healthcare provider, or your student's previous school. Once the completed Certificate of Immunization form is received at the school and verified by the school nurse, your student may attend school.

Immunizations can be administered by your healthcare provider or local pharmacy. If you do not have a healthcare provider or medical insurance, contact the resources listed below.

**WithinReach, Family Health Hotline:** 1-800-322-2588. Help is available in all languages for immunization services, free/low-cost health insurance, and food resources). <a href="http://www.withinreachwa.org/">http://www.withinreachwa.org/</a>

Community Health Plan of Washington Apple Health: 1-800-440-1561 chpw.org

Schedule a meeting with your school nurse if you are requesting an exemption form. Your student <u>MAY</u> register for class but <u>MAY NOT</u> attend in-person school until **all** immunization requirements are met, or, there is a Certificate of Exemption and a CIS form on file signed by the parent **and** the licensed healthcare provider.