

**THE JOY SCHOOL IMMUNIZATION POLICY**  
**December 2025**

Admission to The Joy School is contingent upon receipt of documentation satisfying the immunization requirements outlined below. For the safety of our community, only applicants who have submitted proof of vaccination or immunity may be invited onto campus for school programs or an admission interview.

In accordance with Texas law, The Joy School requires that all students meet or exceed the minimum immunization requirements established by the State of Texas for school admission. Additionally, all students must comply with the immunization schedule recommended by the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP). This means that, as a condition of admission, students must provide documentation demonstrating that they have received all immunizations required by both Texas law and the AAP schedule.

All students must present valid written evidence from their treating physician reflecting that either (a) all required immunizations have been received, or (b) immunity is present in each category by blood titer(s). The physician's signature or stamp must be present on the immunization record.

The only exception to the foregoing requirement accepted by The Joy School is a medical exemption signed by the student's treating physician (M.D. or D.O.). Any student requesting a medical exemption must present a written statement to The Joy School, from their treating physician, stating that the vaccine(s) required is medically contraindicated or poses a significant risk to the health and well-being of the child or any member of the child's household. The document must specify each vaccine included and state a specific and valid medical contraindication for each one. Unless the physician states a lifelong condition exists, the exemption is valid for one year from the date signed. The treating physician must be properly licensed and in good standing with the State of Texas. The treating physician's license number must be reflected on the medical exemption documentation.

The Joy School does not consider conscience-based exemptions or any other non-medical exemptions.