

REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT No. 67

IMMUNIZATION OF STUDENTS

The R.S.U. No. 67 Board of Directors recognizes that all students who enroll in the district's schools are required by Maine law to present a certificate of immunization or other acceptable evidence of immunity against poliomyelitis, diphtheria, pertussis (whooping cough), tetanus, measles, mumps, rubella and varicella (chicken pox).

Non-immunized students shall not be permitted to attend school except as follows:

- A. The parents/guardians provide to the school written assurance that the child will be immunized within 90 days of enrolling in school or his/her first attendance in classes, whichever date is earlier. This is a one-time exemption.
- B. Provide written documentation from the student's primary care provider that the immunization against one or more of the diseases may be medically inadvisable. This documentation must be reviewed annually.
- C. The parents/guardians state in writing each year that immunization is contrary to their sincere religious or philosophical beliefs. This statement must be provided annually.
- D. A period of 21 calendar days may be granted to allow for the transfer of in-state health records from one school to another.

When a homeless student does not have needed certificates of immunization, a referral will be made to the school's Student Liaison Officer. (McKinney Act)

During an outbreak of a vaccine-preventable disease, the Superintendent will exclude from school all students who are non-immunized for such disease. The exclusion will be for the danger period as defined by rule. (DOE Chapter 126)

Legal Reference: 20-A MRSA §§ 6352-6359
Chapter 126 (Me. Dept. of Ed. Rules)

Cross Reference: JLCC – Communicable/Infectious Diseases
JRA – Student Educational Records

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