

IMMUNIZATION OF STUDENTS

All students who enroll in the MSAD 52 school district are required by Maine law to present a certificate of immunization or evidence of immunization or immunity against poliomyelitis, diphtheria, pertussis (Whooping Cough), tetanus, measles, mumps, rubella, and varicella (chicken pox). For a student transferring from another school, the student's health record will suffice.

Students entering kindergarten, previously home schooled students, and non-immunized students shall not be permitted to attend school or school activities unless one of the following conditions is met.

- A. The parents/guardians provides 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 option is available only once to each student during his/her school career; or
- B. The parents/guardians provides a primary care provider's written statement that immunization against one or more diseases may be medically inadvisable (as defined by law/regulation); or
- C. The parents/guardians states in writing each year that immunization is contrary to their sincere religious belief or for philosophical reasons.

The Superintendent shall exclude any non-immunized student when there is a clear danger to the health of others as provided by law.

The Superintendent/designee is directed to develop such administrative procedures as are necessary to carry out this policy and comply with statutory requirements.

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

Cross Reference: JLCC – Communicable/Infectious Diseases

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