

Immunization Policy

DEFINITION:

Immunizations are vaccinations that are necessary for school entrance to prevent the spread of communicable diseases and reduce the morbidity and mortality associated with such diseases. A student may be denied entrance or attendance to school due to failure to meet immunization standards.

GOAL:

To ensure students meet immunization requirements as per NYS Public Health Law Section 2164.

PLAN:

- Upon school registration review immunization status and identify those who are not in compliance with school entry immunization requirements.
- Per NYS law immunization requirements must be met with 14 calendar days of school entrance. This grace period may be extended if parent/guardian can show acceptable proof that the student is in the process of obtaining the necessary immunizations.
- When student is transferring from another state or county the grace period may be extended for not more than 30 days.

Alternatives to the minimum requirements would require that the child:

- Has been diagnosed by a physician or nurse practitioner as having had the diseases measles, varicella, and/or mumps and/or;
- Has serological evidence of rubella, measles, varicella, and/or mumps
- Is entitled to exemption from these requirements for medical or religious reasons