

## **Student Immunization**

### **Purpose**

This policy provides for the Washington State law requirement of evidence of a student's full immunization against certain communicable diseases, or exemption from immunization, prior to the student's attendance at public school.

### **Scope**

This policy applies to the Superintendent, principals, the school nurse, students and parents or guardians, and any staff member responsible for student enrollment.

### **Policy**

1. To safeguard the school community from the spread of certain communicable diseases, the district will abide by state law (RCW 28A.210.080) requiring that the attendance of every child at school and the licensed day care center be conditioned upon the presentation of either:
  - (a) Evidence of full immunization against diseases as required by the State Board of Health, in the form of a completed Certificate of Immunization Status (CIS) distributed by the Department of Health.
  - (b) Evidence of initiation of and compliance with a schedule of immunization as required by the State Board of Health.
  - (c) A completed Certificate of Exemption (COE) distributed by the Department of Health.
2. The district will allow for exemptions from immunization requirements as set forth in state law (RCW 28A.210.090).
3. Following proper notification to parents or guardians, the school will exclude the student from school attendance for noncompliance with immunization requirements in accordance with state law (RCW 28A.210.120).
4. The district will provide parents or guardians of students in sixth through twelfth (6-12) grade with information provided by the Department of Health about meningococcal disease and human papillomavirus disease and related vaccines as required by state law (RCW 28A.210.080).
5. The Board authorizes the Superintendent or designee to develop procedures implementing the immunization requirements set forth by the State of Washington.

### **Related Procedures**

3411P1-Student Immunization

### **Policy Cross References**

3302-Expulsion or Long Term Suspension

3414-Infectious Disease Control

**Policy Legal References**

- WAC 246-105-030 – List of vaccine-preventable diseases
- WAC 246-105-050 – Required documentation of immunization status
- WAC 246-105-060 – Duties of schools and child care centers
- WAC 246-105-080 – Criteria for excluding children from schools
- WAC 392-380-045 – School attendance conditioned upon presentation of proofs
- WAC 392-380-050 – Written notice prior to exclusions from school
- WAC 392-400-280 – Expulsion – Notice of hearing – Waiver of hearing
- RCW 28A.210.120 – Prohibiting child’s presence from school
- RCW 28A.210.160 – Immunization program – Rules
- RCW 28A.210.080 – Attendance of child conditioned upon presentation of alternative proofs
- RCW 28A.210.090 – Immunization Exemptions

**Management Resources**

- Policy News*, August 2012 – Student Immunization and Life Threatening Health Conditions
- Policy News*, August 2011 – New Immunization Exemption Requirement
- Policy News*, August 2007 – Human Papillomavirus Disease Notification
- Policy News*, June 2005 – Distribution of Information on Meningococcal Disease

**Policy History**

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