

SECTION J—STUDENTS
JLCB—Immunization of Students

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 Revised: 06/19/06

- A. An immunization record or waiver as authorized by Colorado Statute or Rules shall be required for enrollment in the District's schools. No student may attend school in the District unless the student has presented to the school an up to date certificate of immunization or a completed exemption form. **THE MCKINNEY-VENTO ACT REQUIRES IMMEDIATE ENROLLMENT, EVEN IF STUDENTS ARE UNABLE TO PRODUCE IMMUNIZATION OR OTHER MEDICAL RECORDS, RECOGNIZING THAT FAMILIES AND YOUTH WHO ARE HOMELESS ARE FREQUENTLY UNABLE TO OBTAIN AND KEEP COPIES OF RECORDS.** A student shall be exempted only upon submission of:
1. Certification from a licensed physician that the physical condition of the child is such that immunization would endanger the child's life or health;
 2. Statement signed by one parent/guardian or the emancipated child/consenting minor that he or she adheres to a religious belief whose teachings are opposed to immunizations;
 3. Statement signed by one parent/guardian or the emancipated child/consenting minor that he or she holds a personal belief that is opposed to immunizations.

In the event of an outbreak of disease against which immunization is required, no exemption will be recognized and those students will be excluded from school.

~~B. All students entering preschool through twelfth grades are required to receive three doses of Hepatitis B vaccine, in addition to the other required immunizations, prior to admission.~~

~~C. In addition to the present immunization requirements, the following requirements are in effect:~~

~~1. Varicella (Chickenpox) Vaccine
 Varicella vaccine will be required for children attending pre-school starting at 18 months of age through sixth grade beginning July 1, 2006. Varicella vaccine must be administered at 12 months of age (on or after the first birthday) or older to be acceptable. A laboratory test showing immunity or a disease history from a health care provider, parent, or guardian is an acceptable alternative to vaccination.~~

~~The Varicella vaccine will continue to be required as the current required grade levels advance. For example, grades K-6 in 2006, and so on, until all grades, K-12, will require this vaccine starting July 1, 2012.~~

~~2. MMR (Measles, Mumps and Rubella) Vaccine
 One dose of MMR is required for school entry for pre-school children under four years old. A second dose of MMR is required for grades K-12 starting July 1, 2006. In lieu of immunization, written evidence of a laboratory test showing immunity is acceptable for the specific disease tested.~~

~~3. DTP (Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis /DTaP/TD)
 Five doses of either DTP or DTaP are required for school entry in Colorado unless the 4th dose was given on or after the student's 4th birthday, in which case, only four doses are required. If supply problems exist, the District will make appropriate allowances. There may be exceptions to the number of doses required, if immunizations were delayed. If at 7 years of age and older, the Pertussis requirement has not been met, no further doses of that immunization are required. The child will still require a minimum of three appropriately spaced doses of TD (tetanus/diphtheria).~~

~~4. POLIO~~

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Children 18 months through 4 years of age will be required to have 3 doses of Polio vaccine. Children in Kindergarten through 12th grades (ages 5-18 years) are required to have 4 doses of Polio at school entry in Colorado, unless the 3rd dose was given at or after the 48th month (i.e. on or after the 4th birthday) in which case only 3 doses are required.

- DB.** Students not up to date on immunizations will have 14 days to obtain the next required vaccines and present a written plan for completion. Students who do not comply by having a certificate of immunization, a plan or signed exemption, will be suspended or expelled.
- EC.** The school principal shall be responsible for seeing that required information is included on the immunization form. The District shall provide upon request an immunization form as required by the Colorado Department of **PUBLIC Health AND ENVIRONMENT.**
- FD.** Non-Compliance
1. A student who fails to comply shall be suspended by the principal for up to five days and notice of the suspension sent to the Colorado Department of **PUBLIC Health AND ENVIRONMENT.**
 2. If no certificate of immunization is received during the period of suspension, the Superintendent shall institute proceedings for expulsion.
 3. Any suspension or expulsion under this policy shall terminate automatically upon compliance.
 4. Record of any such suspension or expulsion shall be contained in the student's health file, with an appropriate explanation.

LEGAL REFS: C.R.S. 22-33-106
C.R.S. 25-4-901 *et seq.*
6 CCR 1009-2

CROSS REFS: JF, Student Admissions to/Withdrawals from School
JKD/JKE, Suspension/Expulsion of Students
JRA/JRC, Student Records/Release of Information on Students