

Book	Policy Manual
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Title	Immunizations
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Immunizations

In order to minimize the spread of preventable illnesses in schools and provide students with a healthier learning environment, the Board requires immunizations in compliance with State law and the Ohio Department of Health for each student unless the parent(s) file an objection. The Board may also require tuberculosis examinations in compliance with law. The Board will not require students to receive any vaccine for which the United States Food and Drug Administration has not granted full approval.

Students eligible for kindergarten and students new to the District must present written evidence of similar immunizations, or written evidence to indicate that they are in the process of receiving immunizations, to be completed no later than the day of entrance. The District will immediately enroll homeless students and foster students and assist in obtaining necessary immunization records. Students failing to complete immunizations within 14 days after entering are not permitted to return to school.

The District maintains an immunization record for each student, available in writing to parents upon request.

LEGAL REFS.:

ORC 3313.67
 ORC 3313.671
 ORC 3313.71
 ORC 3313.711
 ORC 3701.13
[ORC 3792.04](#)

CROSS REFS.:

JEC, School Admission
 JECAA, Admission of Homeless Students
 JHCA, Physical Examinations of Students
 JHCC, Communicable Diseases

NOTE: Beginning with the 2016-2017 school year, students must receive the meningococcal vaccine in accordance with the Ohio Department of Health schedule. The Ohio Department of Health website provides a chart summarizing the school enrollment immunization requirements for each fall.

Each year, by October 15, school districts are required to submit a written summary, by school, to the director of health of the immunization records of all initial entry students in the District, on forms prescribed by the director.

Ohio Revised Code ([RC](#)) 3313.671 outlines the reasons for which parents can file objections for immunizations.

- A student whose parent provides a written statement in which they decline to have the student immunized for reasons of conscience, including religious convictions, is not required to be immunized.
- A student whose physician certifies in writing that such immunization against any disease is medically contraindicated is not required to be immunized against that disease.
- Students also may be exempt specifically from rubeola, mumps or chicken pox vaccinations if a signed statement is provided that the student has had these illnesses naturally.

[RC 3792.04 prohibits a public school from requiring an individual to receive a vaccine for which the United States Food and Drug Administration has not granted full approval.](#)

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