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IMMUNIZATION

The following procedure shall be observed upon enrolling a student for entrance into IUSD schools:

A. California School Immunization Records (CSIR) shall be completed or presented for every student upon registration. Refer to Immunization Requirements.

- 1. Assessment of immunization status shall be completed at registration for all new and transferring students.
- 2. School personnel shall complete the "Documentation" section of the CSIR to document the source of immunization dates, (written certification from the Health Agency, a licensed physician, or from previous school records), and the immunization status of the student. When copy of previous school CSIR is the official document, school personnel reassess, initial, and date appropriate place of documentation section.
- 3. The CSIR is part of the student's permanent cumulative record.

B. Documentation of Immunization

Parents are required to show their child's official written immunization record at school registration. A written immunization record must include the child's name and birth date, the type and date (month and year at a minimum) of each dose of vaccine, and the name and signature of the physician or clinic which administered the vaccine.

If the parent cannot produce written documentation of immunization as outlined above or student is not exempted for medical reasons, the child must begin the immunization process before he/she will be admitted to class unless the child had an exemption affidavit on file signed before January 1, 2016 and is not moving into a new "grade span."

The Board also affirms the amended Health and Safety Code Section 120335(g) stating that a pupil who prior to January 1, 2016 submitted a letter or affidavit on file at a private or public elementary or secondary school, child care center, day nursery, nursery school, family day care home, or development center stating beliefs opposed to immunization shall be allowed to enroll to any private or public elementary or secondary school, child care center, day nursery, nursery school, family day care home, or development center within the state until the pupil enrolls in the next grade span. Section 120335(g)(2) defines "grade span" as birth to preschool, Kindergarten and grades 1 to 6, inclusive, including Transitional Kindergarten, and grades 7 through 12 inclusive. For example, when a student moves from preschool to Kindergarten or Transitional Kindergarten or from 6th to 7th grade, the student will be required to be immunized.

C. Immunization Status

1. Unconditional Status

An "unconditional" status, as defined by the California School Immunization Law, is one who has (a) written documented verification of adequate immunizations or (b) a medical exemption or (c) a signed personal belief exemption or (d) a combination of the above. Students who are "unconditional" admissions shall be allowed to attend class.

2. Conditional Status

A "conditional" student is one who does not have written documented verification of adequate immunizations, no medical exemption on file.

Conditional students may attend class only if they have initiated required immunizations and continue to receive required immunizations as they become due otherwise they will be excluded from school. School registrar or health clerk will complete IUSD form Notice of Immunizations Needed for School Attendance and give original to parent and follow-up copy to health office to ensure subsequent immunizations are received. The Superintendent or designee shall exclude from further attendance any already admitted student who fails to obtain required immunizations within 10 school days following the parent/guardian's receipt of the notice specified above. The student shall remain excluded from school until he/she provides written evidence that he/she has received a dose of each required vaccine due at that time.

D. Exemptions: These students may be allowed to attend school when proper written documentation is provided as follows:

1. Medical Exemptions

- a. Permanent Medical Exception: If a child is unable to receive immunizations because of a medical condition, a physician's written statement must state what the medical condition is, that the condition is permanent, and which immunizations the child cannot receive. It must be signed by a physician and attached to the CSIR. Complete appropriate documentation on CSIR and document in Aeries as "Permanent Immunization Exemption."
- b. Temporary Medical Exemption: If a child has a temporary medical condition which contradicts the administration of one or more immunizations, a child can be temporarily exempted from the requirement. A written statement from the physician must be presented at registration. This statement must state what the medical condition is, how long it will last, and which immunizations must be postponed. It must be signed by a physician and attached to the CSIR. Complete appropriate documentation on CSIR and forward to health office for follow-up. The child must receive the required immunizations immediately upon expiration of the statement or be excluded until the requirement is met.
- c. Disease Exemption: A child can be exempted from an immunization requirement if a physician provides a written statement that the child medically exempt from:
 - 1. physician diagnosed measles (rubeola) disease, or
 - 2. physician diagnosed varicella (chickenpox) disease, or
 - 3. laboratory confirmed rubella and/or mumps disease

These statements must be signed by a physician and attached to the CSIR

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