

LODI UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Rule 5141.31

Students

Immunizations

Upon enrollment, students must present evidence of full immunization. ~~including, but not limited to, diphtheria, pertussis (whooping cough), tetanus, poliomyelitis, measles, mumps and rubella, varicella (chickenpox), and Hepatitis B as documented by a physician, nurse or clinic in the manner prescribed by the State Department of Health.~~ The Superintendent or designee shall not unconditionally admit any student to a district school, preschool, or childcare and development program for the first time nor admit or advance any student to grade 7, unless the student has been fully immunized. The student shall present documentation of full immunization, in accordance with the age/grade and dose required by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), against the following diseases: (Health and Safety Code 120335; 17 CCR 6025)

1. Measles, mumps, and rubella
2. Diphtheria, tetanus, and pertussis (whooping cough)
3. Poliomyelitis (polio)
4. Hepatitis B
5. Varicella (chickenpox)
6. Haemophilus influenza type b (Hib meningitis)
7. Any other disease deemed appropriate by CDPH

A student who qualifies for an individualized education program (IEP), unless otherwise exempt, shall be fully immunized in accordance with Health and Safety Code 120335. The district shall continue to implement the student's IEP and shall not prohibit the student from accessing special education and related services regardless of whether the student is fully immunized. (Health and Safety Code 120335)

School personnel shall record information for each student regarding all doses of required immunizations and the status of all requirements (17 CCR 6070). The school records shall be based on immunization records provided by the student's health care provider, from the student's previous school immunization record, or through the California Immunization Registry (CAIR). (17 CCR 6070)

Exemptions

Exemption from one or more immunization requirements shall be granted under the following circumstances:

1. A medical exemption is submitted and approved through the CDPH's CAIR system. (Health and Safety Code 120372)

A medical exemption issued prior to January 1, 2020 shall allow continued enrollment until the next grade span, except after July 1, 2021, a student may not be admitted or advanced to grade 7 unless the student has been immunized or a medical exemption form filed as stated above. (Health and Safety Code 120370) A temporary exemption shall not exceed one year, and all medical exemptions shall not extend beyond the grade span. (Health and Safety Code 120372)

If a student's medical exemption is revoked by CDPH, the student shall continue in attendance, but must commence the immunization schedule required for conditional admittance within 30 days of the revoked exemption pursuant to 17 CCR 6050. (Health and Safety Code 120372)

The student's parent/guardian may appeal a revocation to the Secretary of California Health and Human Services. If appealed, the student shall continue in attendance and not be required to commence the immunization schedule for conditional admittance pending the outcome of the appeal, provided the appeal is filed within 30 calendar days of the revocation. (Health and Safety Code 120372, 120372.05)

2. The student's parent/guardian filed with the district, before January 1, 2016, a letter or written affidavit stating that immunization is contrary to personal beliefs, the student shall be exempted from the immunization until the student enrolls in the next grade span (birth to preschool, grades K-6, grades 7-12). (Health and Safety Code 120335)
3. The student is enrolled in an independent study program and does not receive classroom-based instruction pursuant to Education Code 51745-51749.6. (Health and Safety Code 120335)

Conditional Enrollment

The Superintendent or designee may conditionally admit a student with documentation from an authorized health care provider that the student has not received all immunizations required but has commenced receiving doses of required vaccines and is not due for any other doses at the time of admission. The Superintendent or designee shall notify the student's parents/guardians of the date by which the student must complete all the remaining doses as specified in 17 CCR 6035. (Health and Safety Code 120340; 17 CCR 6035)

In addition, a transfer student may be conditionally admitted for up to 30 school days while the student's immunization records are being transferred from the previous school. If such documentation is not presented within 30 days, the student shall be excluded from school until the required immunizations have been administered. (17 CCR 6035)

The Superintendent or designee shall immediately enroll homeless students, foster youth, and students of military families even if their immunization records are missing or unavailable at

the time of enrollment. School or district staff shall work with the student's prior school to obtain the student's immunization records or shall ensure that the student is properly immunized. (Education Code 48853.5, 49701; Health and Safety Code 120341; 42 USC 11432)

The Superintendent or designee shall review the immunization record of each student admitted conditionally every 30 days until that student has received all the required immunizations. If the student does not receive the required immunizations within the specified time limits, the student shall be excluded from further attendance until the immunizations are received. (Health and Safety Code 120375; 17 CCR 6040, 6070)

Exclusions Due to Lack of Immunizations

~~Any student without the required evidence of immunization may be excluded from school until the immunization is obtained or the student presents a letter or affidavit of exemption from his/her parent/guardian or physician to the Superintendent or designee.~~

~~When admission has been denied because of lack of immunization, the Superintendent or designee shall refer the parent/guardian to the child's usual source of medical care.~~

~~If no usual source of medical care exists, the parent/guardian shall be referred to the County Health Department.~~

Before an already admitted student is excluded from school attendance because of lack of immunization, the Superintendent or designee shall notify the parent/guardian that he/she has 10 school days to supply evidence of proper immunization or an appropriate letter of exemption.

The Superintendent or designee shall exclude from further attendance any already admitted student who fails to obtain the required immunization within 10 school days following the parent/guardian's receipt of the notice specified above, ~~unless the student is exempt from immunization for medical reasons or personal beliefs.~~ The student shall remain excluded from school until he/she has ~~received another dose of each required vaccine due at that time~~ **has received a dose of each required vaccine due.** (17 CCR 6040, 6055). The student shall also be reported to the attendance supervisor or principal.

Conditional Enrollment

The district may conditionally admit a child with documentation from an authorized health care provider that:

1. He/she has received some but not all required immunizations and is not due for any vaccine dose at the time of admission, or
2. He/she has a temporary exemption from immunization for medical reasons **authorized through the CAIR ME public health immunization system.**

Continued attendance after conditional admission shall depend upon the student's receiving the remaining required immunizations according to schedule or when his/her temporary exemption ends.

The Superintendent or designee shall review the immunization record of each student admitted conditionally until that student has received all the required immunizations. If the student does not receive the required immunizations within the specified time limits, he/she shall be excluded from further attendance until the immunizations are received.

Exclusion Due to Exposure to Disease

If the district has good cause to believe that a student has been exposed to a disease listed in the section "Immunizations" above and the student's documentation of immunization does not show proof of immunization, that student may be temporarily excluded from the school until the local health officer is satisfied that the student is no longer at risk of developing or transmitting the disease. (Health and Safety Code 120370)

Records

The Superintendent or designee shall record each new entrant's immunizations in the California School Immunization Record and retain it as part of the student's mandatory permanent student record. District staff shall maintain the confidentiality of immunizations records and may disclose such information to state and local health departments only in accordance with law. (Health and Safety Code 120375, 120440; 17 CCR 6070)

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