

## **IMMUNIZATION OF STUDENTS**

All students who enroll in Brunswick schools are required by Maine law to present a certificate of immunization or evidence of immunization or immunity against diseases identified by the State Department of Education. This should be done at the time of registration. A student who does not present a certificate of immunization shall be considered non-immunized.

Non-immunized students shall not be permitted to attend school unless one of the following conditions are met:

1. The parents/guardians provide to the school written assurance that the child will be immunized within 90 days of enrolling in school or his/her first attendance in classes, whichever date is earlier. This option is available only once to each student during his/her school career; or
2. The parents/guardians provide a physician's written statement each year that immunization against one or more diseases may be medically inadvisable (as defined by law/regulation); or
3. The parents/guardians state in writing each year that immunization is contrary to their sincere religious or philosophical beliefs.

The Superintendent shall exclude from school and school activities any non-immunized student when there is a clear danger to the health of others as provided by law.

The Superintendent/designee is directed to develop such administrative procedures as are necessary to carry out this policy and comply with statutory requirements.

*Legal Reference:* 20-A MRSA §6352-6359 Ch. 126, Me. Dept. of Ed. Rules

*Cross Reference:* JLCC-Communicable/Infectious Diseases

JRA-Student Educational Records

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