5.0411 HEALTH REQUIREMENT AND SERVICES: IMMUNIZATION

Issue Date: 4/10/97

Existing Policy

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5.0411.01 IMMUNIZATIONS

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No person may be admitted to any school in the District unless he/she has presented to school officials a certificate of immunization from a licensed physician or authorized representative of the state or local health department stating that the student has received immunization against communicable diseases as required by the Department of Health.

The Board shall comply with any modifications or deletions in the required immunizations that may be made by the Department of Health.

5.0411.02 EXEMPTIONS

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Immunization is not a prerequisite for admission to District schools when the person applying for admission submits one of the following:

Proposed Policy

5.0411 HEALTH REQUIREMENTS AND SERVICES: IMMUNIZATION

5.0411.01 IMMUNIZATIONS

Issue Date: ?

- 1. No student may be admitted to any school in the District unless the legally responsible individual of the student has presented to school officials a certificate of immunization, from a licensed physician licensed within the United States or authorized representative of the state or local health department, stating that the student has received age-appropriate immunizations against communicable diseases as required by the Department of Health.
- 2. Throughout school enrollment, the legally responsible individual of the student will present an updated certificate of immunization, from a licensed physician or authorized representative of the state or local health department, at the time of administration of age-appropriate vaccines.
- The Board shall comply with any modifications or deletions in the required immunizations that may be made by the Department of Health.

5.0411.02 EXEMPTIONS

Issue Date: ?

Immunization is not a prerequisite for admission to District schools when the person applying for admission submits one of the following exemptions:

1. Medical, Religious, or Personal, under Utah Law 53G-9-303, which provides exemptions to required vaccinations.

1. A certificate signed by a physician who is registered and licensed to practice medicine within the United States stating that the physical condition of the student is such that one or more specified immunizations would endanger the student's life or health.

- 2. A statement signed by one of the following persons that the individual has a personal belief opposed to immunizations, or that the person is a bona fide member of a specified, recognized religious organization whose teachings are contrary to immunizations:
- a. One of the student's parents;
- b. The student's guardian;
- c. A legal-age brother or sister or a student who has no parent or guardian;
- d. The student, if of legal age.

- a. To obtain a Medical Exemption, a person must submit a written notice signed by a physician who is registered and licensed to practice medicine within the United States stating that the physical condition of the student is such that one or more specified immunizations would endanger the student's life or health.
- b. To obtain a Religious Exemption, a person must submit a statement signed by one of the following persons that the individual is a bona fide member of a specified, recognized religious organization whose teachings are contrary to immunizations: 1. One of the student's parents; 2. The student's guardian; 3. A legal-age brother or sister or a student who has no parent or guardian; 4. The student, if of legal age.
- c. To obtain a Personal Exemption a person must submit a statement signed by the legally responsible individual of the student that the individual has a personal belief opposed to immunizations.

All students with exemptions shall provide the school with the written notice or statement which will be attached to the Health Education Exemption form. These two forms will accompany the student's Utah School Immunization Record indicating the parent received the required health education by online module.

The Health Education Exemption form is only required once for the duration of a student's enrollment in the public education system. The Health Education Exemption form remains valid throughout the student's time in school and transfers with the student if they change schools within the state of Utah.

5.0411.03 CONDITIONAL ADMITTANCE

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A person may be conditionally admitted to District schools if he/she has received at least one dose of each of the required vaccinations prior to enrollment and continues to receive the necessary vaccinations as rapidly as is medically feasible. A student may enter school without a certificate of immunization under conditional enrollment if the student moves to Utah or transfers within the state within thirty (30) days prior to entry into a school, but may not continue to attend unless a certificate of immunization is presented within thirty (30) days after entry.

Utah Code § 53A-11-302

5.0411.04 ACCEPTABLE DOCUMENTS OF IMMUNIZATION

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Any immunization record provided by a licensed physician, registered nurse, or public health official may be accepted by school officials as a certificate of immunization if the type of immunization given and the dates given are specified. This information shall be transferred to an official certificate of immunization and verified by the District. Utah Code § 53A-11-304(3)

Each school in the District shall retain official certificates of immunization for every enrolled student. The certificate becomes a part of the individual student's permanent school record. The records shall be open for inspection at all reasonable times by representatives of local health departments or the State Department of Health.

5.0411.05 SUSPENSION

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Issue Date: ?

A student may enter school without a certificate of immunization under conditional enrollment if the student moves to Utah or transfers within the state within thirty (30) calendar days. Upon assigning the student conditional enrollment status, the school principal shall notify the legal guardian of the requirements to comply under Utah Code 53G-9-308.

At the end of the conditional enrollment period, a school shall prohibit a student who does not comply with Subsection 53G-9-302(1) from attending the school until the student complies with Utah Code § 53G-9-308

5.0411.04 ACCEPTABLE DOCUMENTS OF IMMUNIZATION

Issue Date: ?

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Each school in the District shall retain official certificates of immunization for every enrolled student. The certificate becomes a part of the individual student's permanent school record. The records shall be open for inspection at all reasonable times by representatives of local health departments or the State Department of Health.

5.0411.05 SUSPENSION

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If the conditional enrollment period expires and proof of immunization has not been submitted, written notice shall be mailed to the last-known address of a parent, guardian or legal age brother or sister of a student who is without parents or legal guardian, indicating that suspension is pending unless certification of immunization is produced, and informing the recipient of the notice of the student's right to an exemption, as stated herein.

The school principal shall, beginning five days after notice is sent, prohibit further attendance by a student under a conditional enrollment who has failed to obtain the immunization required within the time period of thirty (30) days set forth above, or otherwise established by rule of the State Department of Health.

Utah Code § 53A-11-306

5.0411.06 TRANSFER OF RECORDS

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The District shall cooperate with other districts in transferring students' immunization records between schools. Specific approval from students, parents, or guardians is not required prior to making such record transfers. When a student transfers from one school or district to another, a copy of the immunization record and any measles or mumps illness statements from physicians should be sent within thirty (30) days to the receiving school. A record received by mail from school officials of another district or state may be considered a validated record.

Issue Date: ?

If the conditional enrollment period expires and proof of immunization has not been submitted, written notice shall be mailed to the last-known address of the most recent legally responsible individual of the student, indicating that suspension is pending unless certification of immunization is produced, and informing the recipient of the notice of the student's right to an exemption, as stated herein.

Following the delivery of notice, the school principal shall prohibit further attendance by a student under a conditional enrollment who has failed to obtain the immunization required within the time period of thirty (30) calendar days set forth above, or otherwise established by rule of the State Department of Health.

Utah Code 53G-9-308

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