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**RS 17 §170.** Immunization of persons entering schools, kindergartens, colleges, proprietary or vocational schools, and day care centers for the first time; immunization of persons entering sixth grade; electronic transmission of immunization compliance reports

A.(1)(a) **Each person entering any school within the state for the first time, including elementary and secondary schools, kindergartens, colleges, universities, proprietary schools, vocational schools, and licensed day care centers, at the time of registration or entry shall present satisfactory evidence of immunity to or immunization against vaccine-preventable diseases according to a schedule approved by the office of public health, Louisiana Department of Health, or shall present evidence of an immunization program in progress.**

(b) Beginning with the 2009-2010 school year and thereafter, each person entering the sixth grade in any school within the state shall present satisfactory evidence of immunity to or immunization against vaccine-preventable diseases according to a schedule approved by the office of public health, Louisiana Department of Health, or shall present evidence of an immunization program in progress.

(2) The schedule shall include but not be limited to measles, mumps, rubella, diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough, poliomyelitis, meningococcal disease, and hemophilus influenzae Type B invasive infections.

(3) The schedule may provide specific requirements based on age, grade in school, or type of school. At its own discretion and with the approval of the office of public health, an educational institution or licensed day care center may require immunizations or proof of immunity more extensive than required by the schedule approved by the office of public health.

B. A person transferring from another school system in or out of the state shall submit either a certificate of immunization or a letter from his personal physician or a public health clinic indicating immunizations against the diseases in the schedule approved by the office of public health in accordance with Subsection A of this Section having been performed, or a statement that such immunizations are in progress.

C. If booster immunizations for the diseases enumerated in the schedule approved by the office of public health are advised by that office, such booster immunizations shall be administered before the person enters a school system within the state.

D.(1) Chief administrators of all elementary and secondary schools, kindergartens, colleges, universities, proprietary schools, vocational schools, and licensed day care centers whether public or private within this state shall:

(a) Be responsible for checking students' records to see that the provisions of this Section are enforced.

(b) Electronically transmit immunization compliance reports to the Louisiana Department of Health, office of public health, when the public or private school operates an existing student-specific electronic data system.

(2) The provisions of this Section which relate to the electronic transmission of data shall be implemented according to rules and regulations promulgated by the Louisiana Department of Health in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act.

**E. No person seeking to enter any school or facility enumerated in Subsection A of this Section shall be required to comply with the provisions of this Section if the student or his parent or guardian submits either a written statement from a physician stating that the procedure is contraindicated for medical reasons, or a written dissent from the student or his parent or guardian is presented.**

F. In the event of an outbreak of a vaccine-preventable disease at the location of an educational institution or facility enumerated in Subsection A of this Section, the administrators of that institution or facility are empowered, upon the recommendation of the office of public health, to exclude from attendance unimmunized students and clients until the appropriate disease incubation period has expired or the unimmunized person presents evidence of immunization.

## Meningitis Vaccine

<https://www.legis.la.gov/Legis/Law.aspx?d=630952>

### §170.4. Immunizations of certain persons against meningococcal disease; exceptions

A.(1)(a) Except as provided in Subsection B of this Section, a student shall provide satisfactory evidence of current immunization against meningococcal disease in accordance with a directive provided by the state Department of Education and the Louisiana Department of Health that shall be based on the recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as a condition of entry into the sixth grade and as a condition of entry into the eleventh grade at any city, parish, or other local public school or nonpublic school.

(b) Except as provided in Subsection B of this Section, a student who is eleven years old and is entering a grade other than the sixth grade and a student who is sixteen years old and is entering a grade other than the eleventh grade shall provide satisfactory evidence of current immunization against meningococcal disease in accordance with a directive provided by the state Department of Education and the Louisiana Department of Health that shall be based on the recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as a condition of entry into such grade at any city, parish, or other local public school or nonpublic school.

(c) Except as provided in Subsection B of this Section, each student who is eleven years old and each student who is sixteen years old and is participating in an approved home study program pursuant to R.S. 17:236.1 shall provide satisfactory evidence of current immunization against meningococcal disease in accordance with a directive provided by the state Department of Education and the Louisiana Department of Health that shall be based on the recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education as provided by rule adopted by the board in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act.

(2) The chief administrator of any city, parish, or other local public school or nonpublic school that educates students who are subject to the requirements of this Section shall be responsible for checking students' records to ensure that the provisions of this Section are enforced.

B. The provisions of Subsection A of this Section shall not apply to the following persons:

(1) Any person whose parent, tutor, or legal guardian signs a waiver stating that the person shall not be immunized against meningococcal disease for religious or other personal reasons.

(2) Any person whose parent, tutor, or legal guardian has submitted a written statement from a physician stating that the immunization is contraindicated for medical reasons.

(3) Any person who is unable to comply with the provisions of Subsection A of this Section due to a shortage in the supply of available vaccinations against meningococcal disease.

C.(1) The provisions of this Section shall be implemented according to rules and regulations promulgated by the secretary of the Louisiana Department of Health, which shall include an implementation schedule based on ensuring sufficient availability of the required vaccine.

(2) The secretary of the Louisiana Department of Health shall provide such rules, including the implementation schedule, to the state Department of Education. The state Department of Education shall notify each city, parish, and other local school board, the governing authority of each nonpublic school system or school in the case of a school not a part of a school system, and the parent or legal guardian of any student participating in an approved home study program as specified in Subparagraph (A)(1)(c) of this Section of the requirements of this Section and the rules and schedule for their implementation as provided by this Section.


D. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to require any city, parish, or other local public school board, any nonpublic school system or nonpublic school, the state Department of Education, or the Louisiana Department of Health to provide or pay for immunizations against meningococcal disease.



**E. Any written communication issued to students pursuant to this Section shall include notice that the student's parent, tutor, or legal guardian may be exempt from compliance with this Section under the conditions set forth in Subsection B of this Section.**

On May 4, 2022 Ponchatoula High School posted a letter from LDH on their facebook page. The letter referenced the statute for the immunization requirement for meningitis but they omitted the section in the statute that specifically requires them to inform parents of the option to submit an exemption: "[Any written communication issued to students pursuant to this Section shall include notice that the student's parent, tutor, or legal guardian may be exempt from compliance with this Section under the conditions set forth in Subsection B of this Section.](#)"

The school posted the letter and a parent commented saying there are exemptions. They then deleted her comment and turned off commenting for the public.

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**Ponchatoula High School**  
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**State of Louisiana**  
Louisiana Department of Health  
Office of Public Health  
Southeast Region IX

March 25, 2022

Dear Parent,

In preparation for the 2022-2023 school session, I am writing to inform you of the immunization requirements for school attendance for children entering the 11th grade.




Students 16 years of age and entering the 11th grade are required by state law to show proof of having received a second dose of MCV4 (Meningococcal) vaccine.


For information regarding immunization requirements, please refer to the State of Louisiana Immunization Law R.S.17:170.

Additionally, immunization information regarding the Louisiana Immunization Network for Kids Statewide (LINKS) may be obtained under the Document Center tab at the following web address: <https://lalinks.org>


Sincerely,


DHH/OPH Region 9  
Immunization Program

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 FYI, you can get exemptions from all vaccines to attend school. 👍

**Ponchatoula High School**  
May 4 · 🌐

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Rebekah E. Gee M  
SECRETARY

**State of Louisiana**  
Department of Health and Hospitals  
Office of Public Health

April 25, 2018

Dear Parent,

In preparation for the 2018-2019 school session, I am writing to inform you of the immunization requirements for school attendance for children entering the 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

Students 11 years of age and entering the 6<sup>th</sup> grade are required by state law to show proof of having received a second dose of Varicella (Chickenpox) vaccine, one dose of Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Acellular Pertussis) vaccine, and one dose of MCV4 (Meningococcal) vaccine.

For information regarding immunization requirements, please refer to the State of Louisiana Immunization Law R.S.17:170. Additionally, immunization information regarding the Louisiana Immunization Network for Kids Statewide (LINKS) may be obtained under the Document Center tab at the following web address: <https://lalinks.org> Thank you.

Sincerely,

John Lyons  
DHH/OPH Region 9  
Immunization Program Consultant

*Susannah Welch, Principal*





# State of Louisiana

Louisiana Department of Health  
Office of Public Health  
Southeast Region IX

April 19, 2021

Dear Parent,

In preparation for the 2021-2022 school session, I am writing to inform you of the immunization requirements for school attendance for children entering the 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

Students 11 years of age and entering the 6<sup>th</sup> grade are required by state law to show proof of having received a second dose of Varicella (Chickenpox) vaccine, one dose of Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Acellular Pertussis) vaccine, and one dose of MCV4 (Meningococcal) vaccine.

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Sincerely,

John Lyons  
DHH/OPH Region 9  
Immunization Program Consultant

John Bel Edwards  
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Rebekah E. Gee MD, MPH  
SECRETARY

# State of Louisiana

Department of Health and Hospitals  
Office of Public Health

Dear Principal/School Director

Children's Carousel Learning and Daycare Center  
3720 West Esplanade Avenue  
Metairie, LA 70002

This letter is to inform you of this school year **2016-2017** compliance levels. Your Daycare has successfully met the compliance level required by Centers for Disease Control and Louisiana Office of Public Health. Students enrolled in your Daycare have met immunization requirements established by the state school immunization law. Thank you for the great work done during this school year in assuring students' immunizations is up-to-date. This process is important to the health and well-being of all in our community. Your commitment to this process is greatly appreciated.

The Immunization Program continues to identify a number of students enrolled in school without proof of a valid immunization record. Non-compliance with the state school immunization law can pose a significant public health risk to your students, staff and the communities you serve. Accordingly, if a child is not in compliance with the immunization schedule, he or she should be excluded from school until an up-to-date shot record is provided. The State Immunization Law clearly states that students are required to present proof of immunization at the time of registration. Your assistance in enforcement of this law for the new school year is greatly appreciated.

As a reminder, Act 73 requires that all schools use LINKS (Louisiana Immunization Network for Kids Statewide) for reporting and filing immunization school compliance reports to the Louisiana Immunization Program. Please be reminded also, that the deadline for reporting compliance of all students enrolled in Kindergarten, and the sixth grade is **November 1, 2016**. The follow up, and submission of the final Immunization Report is due on **January 31, 2017**.

Enclosed is a LINKS Individual user agreement for any new school nurse or staff that will need a Links user name and password. The LINKS Individual User Removal form should be used for nurses no longer working for your school system. Please mail the forms back to my office. Please let me know if you need LINKS training or LINKS review, and I will be happy to schedule a class.

Please contact my office at 504-599-0127 if you have any questions. **All rash illnesses associated with a fever such as chickenpox or measles must be reported to my office immediately.** Thank you again for your assistance in seeing that the children of Louisiana are properly immunized.

Sincerely,

*Bonnie D. Cooper*

Bonnie D. Cooper  
Immunization Program Consultant  
DHH/OPH, Region 1

**Diocese of Baton Rouge Catholic Schools  
Diocesan, Parochial and Inter-Parochial Schools  
Vaccination Policy Updated February 14, 2022**

As schools begin the registration process for the 2022-23 school year, questions have arisen regarding the possibility of a state-required COVID-19 vaccination for students. The current policy from the Administrative Manual (see below) for schools in our diocese indicates that schools may waive required immunizations that are required by the Louisiana State Department of Health.

*Administrative Manual 4.10.4: Immunization*

*All students entering any school of the diocese shall present records attesting to their immunization in compliance with State health requirements at the time of registration. The school may waive a required immunization if a parent submits (a) a written statement from a physician attesting that the immunization is contraindicated for medical reasons or (b) a written statement refusing immunization for the student. Such statement shall be maintained in the student's cumulative folder.*

*In the event of an outbreak of a vaccine-preventable disease, a school may exclude any un-immunized student from attendance until the appropriate disease incubation period has expired or until the parent presents records attesting to immunization of the student.*

Though schools currently may choose not to grant waivers for childhood immunizations, a new COVID-19 requirement may be especially problematic for parents. Therefore, the following policy is in effect for all diocesan, parochial and interparochial schools:

***While we affirm the value of vaccination for COVID-19 and acknowledge and encourage all students to be vaccinated for the virus, no child will be refused admission to a Catholic school in the Diocese of Baton Rouge for the 2022-23 school year based on their vaccination status for the COVID-19 virus. All other childhood vaccine requirements that the school presently has in place will remain intact.***

Catholic schools in the diocese have been especially successful in providing in-person learning the past two years during the pandemic, and much of that success is attributable to the partnership between schools and parents. Thank you for your commitment to the ministry of Catholic education!

Blessings,  
Dr. Melanie B. Palmisano  
Superintendent of Schools





# REQUIREMENTS / GUIDELINES

## 2022-2023

### ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

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#### Little Saints (3-year-old)

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A child must be **three years of age before August 1<sup>st</sup> of the incoming year**. (By August 1, 2022)

Copies of the following documents are required with the application:

1. Official State Birth Certificate
2. Certificate of Baptism (if applicable)
3. Immunization Record: Official State of Louisiana (or other) Universal Certificate of Immunization which includes the seal / stamp and is signed by the physician (A copy of My Chart records, etc. is not the immunization certificate).

Immunizations Required:

- 3 doses of Hep B
  - 4 doses DTaP
  - 3 doses polio vaccine (IPV)
  - 1 dose of MMR vaccine (measles, mumps & rubella) with last dose at or after 4 years of age
  - 1 dose of Varicella vaccine or documented history of the disease
4. Student's Social Security Card (due after an offer of admissions)
  5. Any educational / psychological evaluation administered to your child
  6. \$275 Application Fee (Payment required while submitting the application.)

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#### Pre-Kindergarten

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A child must be four years of age on or before September 30th of the incoming school year.

Copies of the following documents are required with the application:

1. Official State Birth Certificate
2. Certificate of Baptism (if applicable)
3. Immunization Record: Official State of Louisiana (or other) Universal Certificate of Immunization which includes the seal / stamp and is signed by the physician (A copy of My Chart records, etc. is not the immunization certificate).

Immunizations Required:

Immunizations Required:

- 3 doses of Hep B
  - 5 doses DTaP
  - 4 doses polio vaccine (IPV) - with last dose at or after 4 years of age
  - 2 doses of MMR vaccine (measles, mumps & rubella) with last dose at or after 4 years of age
  - 2 doses of Varicella vaccine or documented history of the disease
4. Student's Social Security Card (due after an offer of admissions)
  5. Any educational / psychological evaluation administered to your child
  6. \$275 Application Fee (Payment required while submitting the application.)

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#### Kindergarten

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A child must be five years of age on or before September 30th of the incoming school year.

Copies of the following documents are required with the application:

1. Official State Birth Certificate
2. Certificate of Baptism (if applicable)

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3. Immunization Record: Official State of Louisiana (or other) Universal Certificate of Immunization which includes the seal / stamp and is signed by the physician (A copy of My Chart records, etc. is not the immunization certificate).

Immunizations Required:

3 doses of Hep B

\*5 doses DTaP

\*\*4 doses polio vaccine - last dose after 4 years of age

2 doses of MMR vaccine (measles, mumps & rubella) with last dose at or after 4 years of age

2 doses of Varicella vaccine or documented history of the disease

\*Students that received their fourth dose of DTaP at age 4 or older do not need a 5<sup>th</sup> dose on record.

\*\*Students that received their third dose of IPV at age 4 or older do not need a fourth dose on record.

4. Student's Social Security Card (due after an offer of admissions)

5. Any educational / psychological evaluation administered to your child

6. \$275 Application Fee (Payment required while submitting the application.)

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### Grades 1-8

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For First Grade, a child must be six years of age on or before September 30th of the incoming school year.

Copies of the following documents are required with the application:

1. Official State Birth Certificate

2. Certificate of Baptism (if applicable)

3. Immunization Record: Official State of Louisiana (or other) Universal Certificate of Immunization which includes the seal / stamp and is signed by the physician (A copy of My Chart records, etc. is not the immunization certificate).

Additional Immunization required:

1 dose of Meningococcal vaccine (MenACWY) at 6th grade entry

4. Student's Social Security Card (due after an offer of admissions)

5. Final report card from previous school

6. Most recent report card

7. Most recent standardized tests scores

8 Any educational / psychological evaluation administered to your child

9. \$275 Application Fee (Payment required while submitting the application.)

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### IMMUNIZATIONS / APPLIES FOR ALL GRADE LEVELS

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A student's immunizations must be up to date according to state guidelines in order to be granted admissions.

Those with *medical* exemptions will be considered on an individual basis. The record must be signed by a physician. All dates must be entered and it is the parent's responsibility to send updated records to the school as new immunizations are administered. Immunizations will need to be up to date by school entry in August 2022.

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### ADMISSIONS GUIDELINES

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The following will be considered when reviewing applications for admission into Our Lady of Mercy Catholic School:

- ▶ Children who are Catholic and are currently registered parishioners at Our Lady of Mercy Church Parish
- ▶ Children who have siblings currently attending Our Lady of Mercy
- ▶ Children of alumni
- ▶ Out-of-Parish Catholic children
- ▶ Children of other faith traditions

In determining admission, the administration will review the academic, discipline and attendance records of students transferring from another school. *Please note that the Our Lady of Mercy School reserves the right to contact and obtain a recommendation from the child's previous school/center.* The administration must have a reasonable expectation of student success prior to an offer of admission. The pastor and school administration reserve the right to make final decisions on admissions.

**Immunizations:**

Under state law (Act 771) all students are required to have proof of immunization. A legible copy of current immunization status must be kept on file in the health office for all students enrolled. Parents of students who are lacking immunizations will be notified by the school nurse and advised of which immunizations are needed. For the child to remain in school, these records must be updated in a timely manner. If compliance is not forthcoming, the parent will be asked to keep the child at home until the immunization issue is resolved. Missing school days due to incomplete immunizations will be considered absences. Any parent experiencing a problem obtaining immunizations for the child can contact the school nurse.

Students who are enrolled BEFORE the 2020-21 school year: A required immunization may be waived by the school if a parent submits: a) a written statement from a physician attesting that the immunization is contraindicated for medical reasons; or b) a written statement refusing immunization for the student. Such statement shall be maintained in the student's cumulative folder. Documentation is required yearly.



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Thank you for your interest in St. George Catholic School.

New student applications are to be completed online and submitted with a non-refundable application fee (\$150.00).

**School District Code: SGCS-LA**

**Applicants New To St. George Catholic School:**

[Apply Now](#)

**Applicants of Current St. George Catholic School Families -**  
Current St. George Catholic School parents should **log into their RenWeb Parent Portal account (Apply/Enroll tab)** to complete a new student application.



**Age requirements for entrance are as follows:**

PreK - students must be 4 by September 30 of the year they enter school  
Kindergarten - students must be 5 by September 30 of the year they enter school  
Grade 1 - students must be 6 by September 30 of the year they enter school and have successfully completed kindergarten

**Copies of the following documents for the applicant must be uploaded with the application:**

- Picture of applicant
- Birth certificate
- Immunization record (Current, State of Louisiana)
- Copy of the social security card
- Baptismal certificate (if applicable)
- First communion certificate (if applicable)
- Current and all prior report cards (if applicable)
- Standardized test scores (if applicable)
- Any test results of any cognitive or developmental testing that has been completed in the last 3 years must be submitted before



Information from 2017 about exemption refusal. I testified to this regarding Senator Morrill's SB255.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Carol Friedland** <[carol612@gmail.com](mailto:carol612@gmail.com)>

Date: Mon, May 8, 2017, 10:11 PM

Subject: Illegal Refusal of Vaccine Exemption

To: <[Laparentsforvaccinerights@gmail.com](mailto:Laparentsforvaccinerights@gmail.com)>

My husband and I have religious and philosophical objections to vaccinations.

We had been accepted for a daycare spot at **Rayner Learning Center** (<http://www.bethshalomsynagogue.org/rayner-center>) before I gave birth in August 2015. When I went to visit prior to him attending (November 2015), the center director told me that the only thing I still needed to submit was my son's vaccination records. I told her that we had decided to not vaccinate or to at least delay vaccines. **She informed me that our child would not be able to attend their center until he was vaccinated because it is "against Jewish law to not vaccinate."** I submitted our son's homeoprophylaxis records (a homeopathic "alternative" to vaccination) but **was informed the board of directors would not allow an unvaccinated child to attend the center.**

We had to hire an in-home nanny to care for our child so I could return to work. We paid at least twice as much as attending daycare, in spite of the fact that we had a confirmed "spot" in daycare before our son's birth. The center didn't even refund our entire registration fee!

In July 2016, we tried to enroll our son at **Southside Child Development Center** (<http://www.southsidechild.com/>). I called Southside on 7/27/16 and was told by the director that they had a vacant spot. My husband went to register him the next day and he told the director that our son was unvaccinated and that we had an exemption. She said that she did not accept unvaccinated children because it was too risky to expose children and pregnant mothers to unvaccinated children. I contacted the Department of Education, and was told by the person I spoke with that she had never heard of anyone being excluded from daycare because of an unvaccinated status. She recommended that I inform the daycare operator that allowing exemptions is in line with the daycare standards. I then called the center director and told her that we had religious and philosophical exemptions to vaccines and that she was in violation of the Louisiana State Law. **She told me that I would never be able to enforce a vaccine exemption and our son would not be able to attend her center.**

I contacted a lawyer regarding our situation (Kelley Dick, Jr., an Associate at Taylor Porter). He advised me that our only legal course of action was to file a temporary restraining order against the daycare for them to desist in barring us. Ideally, we would be able to obtain a legal injunction that would require the center to admit our child. **He was advised by his firm that we would need a \$20,000 retainer for him to take our case.** All of this would be required so that our son could attend a daycare that did not want him.

Sincerely,

Carol Friedland

Baton Rouge, LA



## Fwd: Vote YES on HB47

From: Carol Friedland <carol612@gmail.com>  
To: Health Freedom Louisiana<info@healthfreedomla.org>  
Date: Tuesday, April 26th, 2022 at 6:50 AM

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From: **Carol Friedland** <[carol612@gmail.com](mailto:carol612@gmail.com)>  
Date: Sun, Apr 24, 2022, 7:57 PM  
Subject: Vote YES on HB47  
To: <[h-educ@legis.la.gov](mailto:h-educ@legis.la.gov)>, <[harris1@legis.la.gov](mailto:harris1@legis.la.gov)>, <[jeffersonpo@legis.la.gov](mailto:jeffersonpo@legis.la.gov)>, Amedee, Rep. (District Office) <[amedeeb@legis.la.gov](mailto:amedeeb@legis.la.gov)>, <[brassk@legis.la.gov](mailto:brassk@legis.la.gov)>, <[hse098@legis.la.gov](mailto:hse098@legis.la.gov)>, Freiberg, Rep. Barbara (District Office) <[hse070@legis.la.gov](mailto:hse070@legis.la.gov)>, <[hilfertys@legis.la.gov](mailto:hilfertys@legis.la.gov)>, <[hse030@legis.la.gov](mailto:hse030@legis.la.gov)>, <[hse003@legis.la.gov](mailto:hse003@legis.la.gov)>, <[hse082@legis.la.gov](mailto:hse082@legis.la.gov)>, <[hse050@legis.la.gov](mailto:hse050@legis.la.gov)>, <[hse036@legis.la.gov](mailto:hse036@legis.la.gov)>, <[mageet@legis.la.gov](mailto:mageet@legis.la.gov)>, <[schexnayderc@legis.la.gov](mailto:schexnayderc@legis.la.gov)>

I am forwarding two emails below - one from the Department of Education and one from the Diocese of Baton Rouge Catholic Schools Office. Both say that PRIVATE SCHOOLS have the right not to enroll students seeking immunization exemptions.

This law is much needed - lack of information and exemption acceptance has been a huge problem! Vote YES on Representative Edmonston's HB47.

Sincerely,  
Carol Friedland  
Baton Rouge

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From: **Kristine Barker** <[Kristine.Barker@la.gov](mailto:Kristine.Barker@la.gov)>  
Date: Thu, Feb 17, 2022 at 4:28 PM  
Subject: RE: Childhood Diseases - Immunization Issue  
To: Carol Friedland <[carol612@gmail.com](mailto:carol612@gmail.com)>

Hello Ms. Friedland,

I apologize for my delayed response, I was sick much of last week. I have connected with our Legal team and discussed your concerns.

LDE's Office of General Counsel interprets the provision in Section 1101, Subsection E, in BESE Bulletin 741 (Nonpublic) as an acknowledgment that private schools are permitted to grant admission to any student who is not vaccinated if the student or the student's parent or guardian presents a written statement from a doctor stating a medical reason why the student should not be vaccinated or a written dissent from the student or parent. However, it does not interpret that provision to mean that private schools are required to grant admission to such a student if the private school has a policy that requires all students to be vaccinated as a prerequisite to admission.

Let me know how else we can be of assistance and I hope this helps.

Sincerely,

Kristine

**Kristine Barker** (*she/her/hers*)

Executive Director of Portfolio Opportunities

Office of Equity, Inclusion, and Opportunities

225-975-4476

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**Louisiana Department of Education**

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From: **Melanie Palmisano** <[mpalmisano@csobr.org](mailto:mpalmisano@csobr.org)>

Date: Thu, Jan 6, 2022 at 4:14 PM

Subject: Childhood Diseases - Immunization Issue

To: [carol612@gmail.com](mailto:carol612@gmail.com) <[carol612@gmail.com](mailto:carol612@gmail.com)>

Cc: Paul Yi <[pyi@diobr.org](mailto:pyi@diobr.org)>

Dear Mrs. Friedland,

Sorry that you had to unexpectedly end our phone conversation today. Hope all is well.

We received your email request about non-public schools and childhood vaccinations listed in Bulletin 741 (NonPublic).

As we were discussing on the phone, parents have the right to choose not to immunize their children.

Likewise, a non-public school has the right not to enroll a student who has not received immunizations

required by the school.

You mentioned that you had been in communication with Fr. Paul Yi, Pastor of St. George. I've copied Fr. Yi on this email so that we can continue to assist you.

Blessings,

Dr. Mel

**Melanie B. Palmisano, Ed. D.**

**Superintendent of Schools**

**Diocese of Baton Rouge**

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From: **Melanie Palmisano** <[mpalmisano@csobr.org](mailto:mpalmisano@csobr.org)>

Date: Thu, Jan 6, 2022 at 4:14 PM

Subject: Childhood Diseases - Immunization Issue

To: [carol612@gmail.com](mailto:carol612@gmail.com) <[carol612@gmail.com](mailto:carol612@gmail.com)>

Cc: Paul Yi <[pyi@diobr.org](mailto:pyi@diobr.org)>

Dear Mrs. Friedland,

Sorry that you had to unexpectedly end our phone conversation today. Hope all is well.

We received your email request about non-public schools and childhood vaccinations listed in Bulletin 741 (NonPublic).

As we were discussing on the phone, parents have the right to choose not to immunize their children.

Likewise, a non-public school has the right not to enroll a student who has not received immunizations

required by the school.

You mentioned that you had been in communication with Fr. Paul Yi, Pastor of St. George. I've copied Fr. Yi on this email so that we can continue to assist you.

Blessings,

Dr. Mel

**Melanie B. Palmisano, Ed. D.**

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September 23, 2020

Dear Parents,


I have received a REPORT from the State of Louisiana that your child is either past due for a vaccination or one is due now. Please confirm this with your pediatrician's office. I will need an updated immunization record no later than November 30, 2020, to keep in your child's folder and to report updated vaccinations to the State of Louisiana, Department of Health and Hospitals. If a child is not in compliance with the immunization schedule, he or she should be excluded from school until an up-to-date shot record is provided. The State Immunization Law clearly states that students are required to present proof of immunization at the time of registration and to stay in compliance with the State of Louisiana.

If you have any questions, you may contact me at school (504-831-1166).

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.


Sincerely,



  
Date: 10/02/2018

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Louisiana Statute 17:170 makes it mandatory that all students be properly immunized in order to attend any school in our state. Proper documentation must be maintained in the school.

Our health record indicates that 

- I. Has no immunization record on file.
- II. Has an immunization record in progress but lacks the following:


☐ DTap  
☐ Tdap  
☒ Measles/Rubella/Mumps  
☒ Polio  
☒ Hepatitis B  
☒ Varicella  
☐ Meningococcal  
☐ HPV, recommended  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Please bring this letter to your immunization appointment.

**An updated report of immunizations must be returned to the school by 11/01/18 for your child to remain in school.**

The Sabine Health Unit no longer takes walk-ins, it is by appointment only. You must call to set up an appointment. (318) 256-4105. You may also call your Doctor's office to set up appointments if you have private insurance.

Sincerely,

  
School Nurse

Dear Parent/Legal Guardian:

Louisiana Statute 17:170 of 1968 makes it mandatory that all children be properly immunized in order to attend school. The reason for this law, of course, is to protect your child against certain dreaded diseases, as well as to prevent a possible epidemic of a catastrophic nature.

\_\_\_\_ YOUR CHILD MAY NEED UPDATED IMMUNIZATIONS DUE TO RECENT CHANGES IN STATE IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOOL. PLEASE CHECK WITH YOUR CHILD'S PHYSICIAN OR THE CALCASIEU PARISH HEALTH UNIT TO SEE IF YOUR CHILD NEEDS AN UPDATE.

ACCORDING TO SCHOOL RECORDS, YOUR CHILD HAS NOT MET THE FOLLOWING IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:

\_\_\_\_ YOUR CHILD HAS NO IMMUNIZATION RECORDS ON FILE

☒ YOUR CHILD'S IMMUNIZATIONS ARE NOT UP TO DATE

Your child will not need the Varicella Vaccine if they had Chickenpox. Please submit a letter stating when they had it.

IF YOU HAVE ALREADY UPDATED YOUR CHILD'S IMMUNIZATION RECORD WITHOUT LETTING THE SCHOOL KNOW, PLEASE SEND US PROPER VERIFICATION FROM YOUR PRIVATE PHYSICIAN OR PUBLIC HEALTH UNIT SO THAT WE CAN MAKE THE NEEDED CHANGES.

\_\_\_\_ PLEASE SUBMIT UPDATED SHOT RECORD TO YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL BY THE BEGINNING OF NEXT SCHOOL YEAR.

☒ PLEASE SUBMIT UPDATED SHOT RECORD TO YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL BEFORE THIS DATE:

October 11, 2017

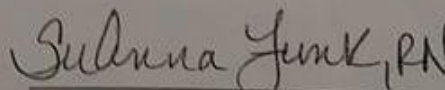
To prevent any interruption in your child's education, please see that these immunization requirements are completed.

The Calcasieu Parish Health Unit is located at 3236 Kirkman Street, Lake Charles. Please call 478-6020 to find out the times that will allow you to "walk in" at the Lake Charles Immunization Clinic.

You must bring your personal health record with you when you go to the public health unit or your primary care/private physician.

Sincerely,

  
PRINCIPAL

  
SCHOOL NURSE

*Building Foundations for the Future*

Nursing Department

2423 6<sup>th</sup> Street

Lake Charles, LA 70601

Phone 337-217-4260

Fax 337-217-4261

In the 2019-2020 Parent/Student Handbook,  
the Immunization Policy states:

**Immunization Requirements**

Students must provide a current immunization record signed by a physician in order to enter Pre-Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade and be immunized according to state regulations (unless a booster cannot be administered because of the student's age).

Additionally, students at least 11 years old must provide evidence of current immunizations against Meningococcal disease (Meningitis) and any other age-appropriate vaccine.

A student never previously immunized for MMR must receive two doses of the vaccine at least one month apart. This will satisfy the school entrance requirements for MMR immunizations. Many doctors will issue the State of Louisiana Universal Certificate of Immunization; others will issue a list of dates immunizations were received. Both are acceptable.

In the rare situation that a student's health would be in jeopardy due to receiving immunizations, the school requires a letter from the student's doctor and a notarized waiver. Parents must ask the principal for the school waiver form.

Thank you always for your support of SJP.  
God bless,

Kim P. Naquin

Principal

**St. John Primary**

37407 Duplessis Road

Prairieville, LA 70769

225-617-2802





## Done Immunization Waiver - updated J...



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Prairieville, Louisiana 70769

St. Theresa Middle  
212 East New River Street  
Gonzales, Louisiana 70737

225-647-2803  
www.sjp-sta.org

**IMMUNIZATION WAIVER**

STUDENT NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_ GENDER \_\_\_\_\_

IMMUNIZATION(S) EXEMPT \_\_\_\_\_

In the event of an outbreak of a vaccine-preventable disease, upon the recommendation of the state office of public health, students with an exemption status will be excluded from attendance until the appropriate disease incubation period has expired or the unimmunized student presents evidence of immunization.

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**MEDICAL EXEMPTION** – The physical/health condition of the above-named student is such that immunization would endanger life or health, or is medically contraindicated due to other medical conditions. A letter signed by the student's doctor (on his/her office letterhead) is attached to this form, explaining the student's physical/health situation with regard to immunizations.

PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN'S NAME PRINTED \_\_\_\_\_ PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

DOCTOR'S NAME PRINTED \_\_\_\_\_

WITNESS \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

NOTARY PUBLIC SIGNATURE AND NOTARY ID NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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**Jefferson Parish Early Childhood Col...**

To: Ashley\_giarratano@aol.com

[Details](#)

## Your Alice Birney Elementary School (Dual Language Learners) Application

Today at 11:57 AM



JEFFERSON PARISH  
**Early Childhood**  
COLLABORATIVE



## Your Alice Birney Elementary School (Dual Language Learners) Application

Your application for Anthony Rogers for Alice Birney Elementary School (Dual Language Learners) has been updated:

- Your application has been marked as ineligible.
- Application is not eligible as the immunization records are not current. Please upload a current proof of immunization records. MS. 5.28.19

Please visit <https://jeffersonchild.com/apply/apps.php> to track updates on the status of your child's application.

Wishing you well,

Jefferson Parish Early Childhood Collaborative





**St. Tammany Parish School Board  
Notice of Immunization Deficiency**

Date: 10/7/16

School: [redacted]

To the Parent/Guardian of: [redacted]

A record of required immunizations must be on file at school. A review of your child's immunization records indicates the following type of deficiency:

- ☐ No Record
- ☒ Incomplete Immunizations
- ☐ Booster Indicated

You child must receive the following checked (✓) immunizations to remain in school:

- ☒ Dtap/DT/Td/Tdap
- ☒ MMR ☐ #1 ☒ #2
- ☒ Polio
- ☒ Chickenpox (Varicella) ☐ #1 ☒ #2
- ☐ Meningococcal
- ☐ Hepatitis B ☐ #1 ☐ #2 ☐ #3
- ☐ HIB Haemophilus Influenza B

Your child will be excluded from school on Friday 10/21/16 if proof of immunization is not in the school office at that time.

Thank you,  
School Nurse

*Please take this letter along with a copy of your child's immunization record to the health unit/physician.*

**Immunization Resources**

- Community Wellness Center, Covington, LA
- Greater New Orleans (GNO) Immunization Network Mobile Unit

(985) 871-6030  
(504) 733-3268



ASCENSION PARISH SCHOOL BOARD  
P.O. BOX 189  
DONALDSONVILLE, LOUISIANA 70346

Date 9/27/18

Dear Parent of [REDACTED],

Your child's Health Record is not up to date. Louisiana Immunization Laws and A.C.I.P. (Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices) guidelines state that every child must have his/her immunizations in order to attend school. A check of our records indicates that your child needs:

<input type="checkbox"/> DTaP/Tdap	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> VARICELLA
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POLIO	<input type="checkbox"/> VARICELLA Booster
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MMR	<input type="checkbox"/> MENINGITIS
<input type="checkbox"/> MMR Booster	<input type="checkbox"/> No record on file
<input type="checkbox"/> HIB	<input type="checkbox"/> Original record from MD or health clinic
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> HEPATITIS B	<input type="checkbox"/> If shots completed, submit an updated record (with a MD signature or clinic stamp)

Please bring your child to your primary care doctor or a local health unit, along with a record of any previous immunizations. Please note that students with private insurance must see their primary care provider for immunizations. Please return an updated record, with a MD signature or clinic stamp, to your child's school as soon as possible.

Please complete the immunization(s) noted above by October 17, 2018 and return an updated record, with a MD signature or clinic stamp, to the school nurse showing they have been completed. If an updated record of mandatory immunization(s) is not provided by above date, your child will not be permitted to attend school until necessary immunizations are received. If your child has an upcoming appointment that is after the stated deadline above, please contact your school nurse with this information.

Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Thank You,

[Signature]  
School Nurse Coordinator

\*\*\*Immunization times are as follows:

Gonzales 644-4582 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 7-9am



Date 11/20/20

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Louisiana State law requires that the school have a record of every child's immunizations. (MM-13/92)

Effective July 1, 2008 Act 152 and Act 342 require that, beginning with the 2009-2010 school year, a student shall provide satisfactory evidence of current immunizations against Meningococcal disease and any other age appropriate vaccines as a condition of entry into the 6<sup>th</sup> grade or by any student who is age eleven in any grade.

In reviewing our records, we find that your child ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ is in need of a new health certificate for the reason listed below.

Immunization needed:

Dtap/Tdap/Td ☒ Polio ☒ MMR ☒ Hepatitis B ☐

Varicella (Chicken Pox) ☒ Meningococcal Vaccine (MCV4) ☐

No Record ☐ Invalid Record ☐

Reason Immunization Needed:

\*Regularly scheduled immunization ☐

\*Hepatitis B was given before child is 6 months old ☐

\*Immunization was given too soon ☐

\*Last Dtap or Polio was given before 4<sup>th</sup> birthday ☐

\*MMR/Varicella have to be given either on the same day or 1 month apart. Your child's were not ☐

\*Given before child's 1<sup>st</sup> birthday ☐

\*State now requires 2 doses of varicella for school ☐

Please furnish the school with an updated record by 12/15/20 or it will be necessary for your child to remain at home until a new health certificate is presented to the school office

Thank you,



## Immunization Reminder

07/22/2019 1:59 PM

General

A meningitis booster shot is now required for all students who are 16. Please bring your student's updated shot record to their prep day. If they have not received the booster and are already 16, please make an appointment before school starts and send the updated record with your student the first day of school.



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Student will be rechecked for lice and bugs are removed. After successful treatment, the parent will need to bring the student to the office to be rechecked for lice by school personnel before being allowed to stay at school. It is recommended that parents check their child on a regular basis for signs of head lice.

- **Immunizations:** Louisiana State Law Statute LA R.S. 17; 170

All students entering school for the first time shall present evidence of completed immunization records.

All students entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade AND **11 years old** or any student that is 11 years old (regardless of grade) shall present evidence of age appropriate vaccinations including a Tdap Booster, Meningitis vaccine, and a second varicella (chickenpox).

Students that have not received proper immunizations may not be allowed to come to school if there is an outbreak of a communicable disease at school (Chickenpox, Measles, Pertussis, etc.). By state law, these students must be excluded from the school setting. These absences will not be excused.

Parents of students that are unable to receive their immunizations due to medical, religious, or personal reasons must submit a written *letter of dissent* that has been notarized. If this dissent is due to a medical reason, a written statement from the doctor must be received.

- **Vision/Hearing:** Students vision and hearing are screened by the school nurse in Pre-K, Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup> grades and from parent or teacher referrals. If a problem is detected notes will be sent home to the parent referring them to their physician for a more complete evaluation.

Students are screened in 6<sup>th</sup> grade for curvature of the spine. If signs are seen,



Vaccine Group	Dose	Recommended Date	Minimum Valid Date	Status
MENINGOCOCCAL	2	08/29/2017	08/29/2017	Past Due
Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2)(COVID-19)	1	12/12/2020	12/12/2020	Past Due

Dear Parent/Guardian of \_\_\_\_\_ Our records indicate that your child does not have up-to-date immunizations as required by State Law. According to our records, your child needs the following immunizations listed above.

If your child has received the shots, please send a copy of records to school so his/her health record may be updated. If your child has not received the shots, please take him/her to your family doctor or to a public health clinic to receive the shots.

Your child has 30 days to supply the updated records OR provide proof that an appointment has been made. If the required information is not received within that time, it will be necessary to exclude the child from school until the records are brought to the school.

Deadline: 11/7/21

The Union Parish High School-Based Health Center, located in the UPHS campus, can administer immunizations to all students enrolled in the Union Parish schools. They can be reached at 318-974-7525 to make an appointment.

Sincerely, Kathie C. Spradling, RN School Nurse





St. Tammany Parish Public Schools

*Tchefuncte Middle School*

1530 West Causeway Approach, Mandeville, LA 70471  
Phone: (985) 626-7118 Fax: (985) 674-0773  
<http://tchefunctemiddle.stpsb.org>

Mitch Stubbs, Ph.D.  
*Principal*

Gina Gipson, M.Ed., NBCT  
*Assistant Principal*

May 10, 2021

Dear Parents and Caregivers:

In preparation for the 2021-22 school year, this letter is to inform you of the immunization requirements for school attendance for children entering the 6th grade.

State law requires students 11 years of age or who are entering the 6th grade to show proof of having received a second dose of Varicella (Chickenpox) vaccine, one dose of Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Acellular Pertussis) vaccine, and one dose of MCV4 (Meningococcal) vaccine. For information regarding immunization requirements, please refer to the State of Louisiana Immunization Law R.S.17:170. Additionally, immunization information can be obtained on the Louisiana Immunization Network for Kids Statewide (LINKS) website. I have also included an additional letter from the Louisiana Immunization Consultant for Region 9.

If you have already received a previous letter from me and your child has obtained the required updates thank you for attending to this matter. If you have not and your child is 11 years old or will turn 11 during the summer please have them receive the required immunizations. Please be sure not to obtained until after they have turned 11 years old. There are a few students that turn 11 years old once school starts and they can get updated once they turn 11 years old during the school year.

Resources for obtaining immunizations include:

Greater New Orleans Immunization Network: 504-733-3268, [www.GNOshots4kids.com](http://www.GNOshots4kids.com)

St. Tammany Community Health Center Slidell: 985-607-0400

St. Tammany Parish Hospital Community Wellness Center: 985-871-6030

You will need to provide proof of up to date immunizations to your child's school prior to the first day of school. The fax number for Tchefuncte Middle is 985-674-0773. If you have any questions, please contact me by email at [susan.eisman@stpsb.org](mailto:susan.eisman@stpsb.org)

Sincerely,

Susan Eisman, RN

Tchefuncte Middle School

School Nurse

Logged in: [REDACTED]

Organization/Facility: THE MONTESSORI SCHOOL FOR SHREVEPORT (70018) / THE MONTESSORI SCHOOL FOR SHREVEPORT Date: October 22, 2021

**ONE**  
20g PROTEIN  
1g SUGAR



months, 5 yrs

4 5 6 7 8  
10/30/2018

**NOT YOUR**

Hib	10/30/2018	10/06/2016	06/04/2018	
Hep A	08/08/2016	10/07/2019		
Hep B - 3 Dose	06/04/2018	08/08/2016	X 10/06/2016	12/06/2016
Varicella	06/07/2016			
Rotavirus	10/30/2018	12/06/2016		
Influenza	08/08/2016	10/30/2018		10/07/2019
Pneumo (PCV)	12/06/2016	02/14/2017	12/06/2016	06/04/2018
	08/08/2016	10/06/2016		

**Invalid Vaccinations**

Invalid Vaccinations	Date	Reason
HEP-B 3 DOSE	10/06/2016	Minimum age or minimum interval set in system forecast preferences not met.

**Vaccine Deferrals**

Dose Date

**Vaccine Contraindications / Exemptions / Precautions**

- Contraindications
- Exemptions
- Precautions

**Vaccination Forecast**

The forecast automatically switches to the catch-up schedule when a patient is behind schedule.					Overdue Date	Status
Vaccine Group	Forecasted Dose	Recommended Date	Minimum Valid Date			
DTaP/DT/Td	5	06/06/2020	04/30/2019		07/06/2021	Past Due
MMR	2	06/06/2020	11/27/2018		07/06/2021	Past Due
POLIO	4	06/06/2020	06/06/2020		07/06/2021	Past Due
VARICELLA	2	06/06/2020	01/22/2019		07/06/2021	Past Due
MENINGOCOCCAL	1	06/06/2027	06/06/2027		07/06/2027	Not Yet Due
Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2)(COVID-19)	1	06/06/2028	06/06/2028		07/17/2028	Not Yet Due



Regarding:

Vaccine Group	Dose	Recommended Date	Minimum Valid Date	Status
MENINGOCOCCAL	1	07/08/2016	07/08/2016	Past Due
Tdap	6	07/08/2016	07/08/2016	Past Due

Dear Guardian,

Upon reviewing your child's records, the school does not have a completed or updated immunization record. You will have until November 19, 2021 to provide the school with an updated copy. This is keeping with the Louisiana Statue 17:170. This is a state requirement and your child will be excluded from school if you do not provide the school with an updated copy of his/her shot record. An updated shot record is due on 11/19/21.

Thank you,

Alisha Davis, BSN, RN

School Nurse

**GENERAL Immunization Reminder:**

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Louisiana State Law requires that all students be immunized against childhood diseases (LA Statute 17:170). As a courtesy to you, we are sending out this notice as a reminder that your student needs, or will soon need, additional immunizations. If your child has already received these immunization(s), please provide proof that they were given. After your child has received their immunizations,

TAKE AN UPDATED "LOUISIANA UNIVERSAL CERTIFICATE OF IMMUNIZATION" TO YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL. This certificate is the only type of record accepted as proof of your child's immunizations.

Parish health units are not scheduling immunizations at this time. If your child has a pediatrician, family doctor or Community health provider, please call to schedule an appointment.

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade Immunization Reminder:**

1. Dear Parent or Guardian,

**All students age 11 years or older who are entering 6th grade must be up to date with all required immunizations.**

Our records show that your child is currently 11 years (or older) and has not yet met the immunization requirements as set by LA State Law. **We must have a State of Louisiana Universal Certificate of Immunizations as proof that your student has received all required immunizations.**

PLEASE BE AWARE ...PER LA LAW (ACT 152 AND ACT 342), STUDENTS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO ATTEND 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE IF THEY ARE 11 YEARS OLD OR OLDER AND HAVE NOT RECEIVED THE REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS.

Parish health units are not scheduling immunizations at this time. If your child has a pediatrician, family doctor or Community health provider, please call to schedule an appointment.

**11<sup>th</sup> Grade Immunization Reminder:**

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Louisiana schools REQUIRE that students age 16 years or older OR entering the 11<sup>th</sup> grade receive a second dose of Meningococcal Vaccine. Per state law, students Will Not Be Allowed to Attend school if they are 16 years old OR entering the 11<sup>th</sup> grade and have NOT received the required immunizations.

Be sure to get a copy of an updated "State of Louisiana Universal Certificate of Immunizations" to take back to school.

Parish health units are not scheduling immunizations at this time. If your child has a pediatrician, family doctor or Community health provider, please call to schedule an appointment.

*Meningococcal*

*Please get vaccine before 11/24/21*



Forecast

Organization Level Status:

1620609  
210 weeks, 48 months, 4 yrs  
Inactive

Forecast automatically switches to the catch-up schedule when a patient is behind schedule.

Vaccine Group	Forecasted Dose	Recommended Date	Minimum Valid Date	Overdue Date	Status
DTaP/DT/Td	5	09/11/2021	09/15/2019	10/11/2022	Due Now
MMR	2	09/11/2021	01/23/2019	10/11/2022	Due Now
POLIO	4	09/11/2021	09/11/2021	10/11/2022	Due Now
VARICELLA	2	09/11/2021	01/23/2019	10/11/2022	Due Now
MENINGOCOCCAL	1	09/11/2028	09/11/2028	10/11/2028	Not Yet Due
Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2)(COVID-19)	1	09/11/2029	09/11/2029	10/22/2029	Not Yet Due

**Due Now** -- As of today's date, the patient's age falls between the recommended minimum age and the recommended maximum age for this dose and the absolute minimum interval has been met since the last dose.

**Not Yet Due** -- As of today's date, the recommended maximum age or the recommended maximum date for this dose has passed.

**Not Yet Due** -- As of today's date, the patient is not due or past due.

**Optional** -- This vaccine may be administered today. Although the usual "recommended" date has not been met, the minimum valid date for this dose is been met.

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### LETTER OF DISSENT

**STUDENT NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

This is to advise school officials that because of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, I am signing this letter of dissent relieving me of the obligation to conform to the directives of Louisiana Statute 17:170; which requires all children attending school in the state to have completed immunizations.

**Please note:** If an outbreak of a vaccine-preventable disease occurs, upon the recommendation of the State Office of Public Health, school administrators may exclude from attendance unimmunized students until the appropriate disease incubation period has expired, or the unimmunized person presents evidence of immunization. (Ref: LA Rev. Stat. Ann. 17:170)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

**Please attach a written statement from attending physician if this dissent is due to medical contraindications.**

**Must be notarized**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary

Dear Parents or Guardian:

According to Louisiana law any student that is 11 years old and entering sixth grade or any student that is eleven years of age and in another grade must show proof of immunization against Meningococcal Meningitis (MCV4) and any booster doses recommended by the Office of Public Health. Immunizations now required are listed below, in addition to the immunizations your child should have received before entering school.

- 1- Tdap- Booster
- 1- Meningitis Vaccine
- 1- Varicella- Booster

**\*The Varicella vaccine is waived if the student has had a history of chickenpox disease. The parent is responsible for reporting the case of chickenpox to the school nurse and the history must be documented on the immunization record.**

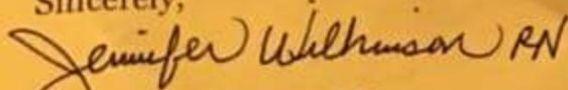
**Students that are 10 years of age and are entering sixth grade do not need to schedule an appointment to have the vaccinations completed until they turn 11.**

**Please be aware- your child will NOT be allowed to attend school if you fail to comply with obtaining the above immunizations. You should contact your local physician to schedule an appointment as soon as possible.**

Updated immunization records will be due the first day of school.

If you have any questions or concerns you may contact me at 225-686-4368.

Sincerely,



Jennifer Wilkinson RN  
School Nurse Coordinator



11/2/2017  
To School nurse:

Regarding:  
CARMEN  
#12

Vaccine Family	Dose	Recommended Date	Minimum Valid Date	Status
POLIO	4	04/22/2012	04/22/2012	Past Due
HEP-B 3 DOSE	2	06/22/2008	06/03/2008	Past Due
MMR	1	04/22/2009	04/22/2009	Past Due
VARICELLA	1	04/22/2009	04/22/2009	Past Due

According to Louisiana School Immunization Law your child's record on file at school indicates that the immunizations are incomplete. You must provide an updated immunization record. The STATE OF LOUISIANA UNIVERSAL CERTIFICATE OF IMMUNIZATIONS is required to show that your child has received the immunizations indicated above. This UPDATED immunization record must be presented to the school office within 2 weeks or 2 weeks from minimum valid date (if future date) or your child may be excluded from school.

not true. Please  
Stop sending false info  
to fear monger parents!!

Principal

Ashley Solano RN, BSN  
Nurse

Please be advised that State Law provides that "no child shall be required to comply with the provisions of this Section if the child or his parent or guardian submits either a written statement from a physician stating that the procedure is contraindicated (inadvisable) for medical reasons, or a written dissent from a parent is presented."

Please see your school nurse for further information.

→ written dissent is  
already on file. Do not  
send this paper again!! Thanks ES.





**St. Tammany Parish School Board  
Notice of Immunization Deficiency**

Date: Sept. 18, 2017 School: Covington Elementary

To the Parent/Guardian of: [Redacted] Tones

A record of required immunizations must be on file at school. A review of your child's immunization records indicates the following type of deficiency:

- ☐ No Record
- ☐ Incomplete Immunizations
- ☒ Booster Indicated

You child must receive the following checked (✓) immunizations to remain in school:

- ☒ Dtap/DT/Td/Tdap
- ☒ MMR ☐ #1 ☐ #2
- ☒ Polio
- ☒ Chickenpox (Varicella) ☐ #1 ☐ #2
- ☐ Meningococcal
- ☐ Hepatitis B ☐ #1 ☐ #2 ☐ #3
- ☐ Hib Haemophilus Influenza B

Your child will be excluded from school on Oct. 2, 2017 if proof of immunization is not in the school office at that time.

Thank you,  
School Nurse

*Please take this letter along with a copy of your child's immunization record to the health unit/physician.*

**Immunization Resources**

- Community Wellness Center, Covington, LA (985) 871-6030
- Greater New Orleans (GNO) Immunization Network Mobile Unit (504) 733-3268

# IMMUNIZATION REFERRAL

Date: 9-14-17

Grade: 6m  
Brooks

Louisiana Law makes it mandatory that every child attending public schools be properly immunized against Diphtheria, Tetanus, Whooping Cough (Pertussis), Polio, Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Hepatitis B and Chicken Pox or shall present evidence of an immunization program in progress or submit a written statement from a doctor that the procedure is contraindicated for medical reasons, or submit a written dissent with explanation from the parents.

## A review of your child's School Health record shows:

☐ No record of immunizations

☒ Past Due: ☐ DTP ☐ HBV (Hepatitis B)  
☐ Hib ☐ Varicella (ChickenPox)  
☐ Polio ☒ Tdap  
☐ MMR ☒ Meningitis

If your child has received these immunizations, please send their records to school.

Contact your doctor, a Pharmacy, or St. James Parish Health Unit to receive your immunizations.

**\*\*ANY STUDENT WHO HAS NOT SUBMITTED VALID IMMUNIZATION RECORDS WILL BE EXCLUDED FROM SCHOOL\*\***

Your exclusion date will be October 10<sup>th</sup> if up-to-date records are received.

Thanks for your cooperation,

Health records at school indicate that your child **does not** have up to date immunizations. To remain in school your child must be immunized according to state law. If your child does not receive the immunizations checked below by \_\_\_\_\_ he/she will be **excluded** from school.

**According to our records your child needs:**

DTP/TD #5

IPV #4

MMR #2

HBV \_\_\_\_\_

MCV4 \_\_\_\_\_

COPY OF  
SHOT RECORD \_\_\_\_\_

VARICELLA #2

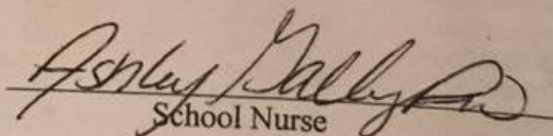
HIB \_\_\_\_\_

PCV7 \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

If your child has received the above immunizations, please send a copy of the record to school so the health card can be updated.

If your child has not received the required immunizations, please take care of this before the start of school in the fall.

  
School Nurse

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The above child received \_\_\_\_\_  
on \_\_\_\_\_.



record indicating the student is in progress of receiving vaccines, and follow-up must be provided for compliance with the above requirements.

**Pre-Kindergarten / Daycare / HeadStart:**

Beginning school year 2009-2010, two (2) doses of Varicella vaccine will be required in Louisiana schools for entry into Pre-K, Kindergarten, Daycare, and HeadStart programs for children aged 4 years and older. If a second dose of Varicella vaccine has been received at least 30 days after the first dose, no additional doses are required. This is in addition to the regular age appropriate vaccines required depending on the child's age. Prior to entry, these students must have documented proof of immunizations for: two (2) doses of Measles-Mumps-Rubella vaccine; three (3) doses of Hepatitis B vaccine; and booster doses of DTaP and Polio vaccines administered on or after their 4<sup>th</sup> birthday and prior to school entry.

All children aged less than 4 years of age enrolled in Pre-K, Daycare, HeadStart, etc should be vaccinated against and must show proof of immunizations for: Diphtheria Tetanus Acellular Pertussis vaccine (DTaP); Inactivated Poliovirus vaccine (IPV); Haemophilus Influenza Type B vaccine (Hib); Hepatitis B vaccine (HBV); Rotavirus vaccine (RV); Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine (PCV – for children less than 24 months of age) If a child is less than 24 months of age and has received 4 doses of PCV-7 he/she is to get a single dose of PCV-13 for Daycare and Head Start; and one (1) dose of Varicella vaccine. If the child is not complete or up-to-date for age, he/she must present a record indicating that the child is in progress of receiving vaccines, and follow-up must be provided for compliance with the above requirements.

Dear Parent/Guardian:

State law makes it mandatory that all children be properly immunized in order to attend any school in our state.

After looking through your child's health record at school, it appears that:

- ☐ Your child has no immunization record.
- ☒ Your child is not up to date with his/her immunization.

According to the law, the student has, after an official notice signed by the principal, a period of thirty (30) days to present an updated record stating that the child's immunizations are complete or in progress, or the student shall not be allowed to remain in school until such time as the conditions are met.

Please call your child's physician or the () to make an appointment to receive immunizations. I soon as possible in order to avoid having your child excluded from school.