

SANBORN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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IMMUNIZATIONS OF STUDENTS

Statement of Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that we conform to state statutes and rules which will govern the policy and practice of Sanborn Regional School District with regard to immunization of students.

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In an effort to protect the students from communicable disease and in accordance with RSA 141-C, all children shall be immunized prior to school entrance according to the current recommendations of the State Public Health Agency. (<https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/immunization/documents/schools18-19.pdf>).

1. A student shall be exempted from the above immunization requirements if he/she presents written documentation in accordance with RSA 141-C:20-c from his/her physician that immunization will be detrimental to his/her health. A child will be excused from immunization for religious reasons, upon the signing of a notarized letter by the parent or guardian stating that the child has not been immunized because of religious beliefs.
2. In the event of an outbreak, students who have been exempted from immunization requirements will be excluded from school for a period of time, to be established after consultation with the NH Dept. of Health & Human Services, if such students are considered to be at risk for the disease that they have not been immunized against.
3. Any child being admitted to the Sanborn Regional School District must present proof of meeting immunization requirements. Failure to comply with this provision may result in exclusion from school for the child. The school nurse, principal or designee is responsible for documenting that all students have been immunized prior to school entrance in accordance with RSA 141-C:20-a. Conditional enrollment may be granted to those students who provide documentation of minimal acceptable immunizations, with an appointment scheduled to complete the required doses, as outlined in the state requirements.
(<https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/immunization/documents/schools18-19.pdf>)
4. Immunization requirements are based on the current New Hampshire guidelines, which are distributed yearly by the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services. Principals will notify parents/guardians of this requirement at the earliest possible date, so that the necessary plans can be made with the family physician or other medical resources to accomplish this standard prior to a child being admitted to school.

Legal References:

RSA 141-C:20-a, Immunization
RSA 141-C:20-c, Exemptions
RSA 141-C:20-d, Exclusion During Outbreak of Disease
RSA 200:38, Control and Prevention of Communicable Diseases: Duties of School Nurse
NH Code of Administrative Rules, Section Ed. 311.01, Immunization Program

History:

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