

## **IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ATTENDANCE IN SCHOOLS**

Students entering school for the first time, whether at kindergarten or through transfer from another district, will be required to present a physician's certificate attesting to immunization against communicable diseases as may be specified from time to time by the Department of Public Health. The only exception to these requirements will be made on receipt of a written statement from a doctor that immunization would not be in the best interests of the child, or by the student's parent or guardian stating that vaccination or immunization is contrary to the religious beliefs of the student or parent.

LEGAL REFS.:       M.G.L. [76:15](#)  
                      [105 CMR 220.00](#) (Immunization of Students before Admission to School)

CROSS REF.:        JF, School Admissions

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