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SUBJECT: Immunization of Students	
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JURISDICTION:	RSU 73 Schools

POLICY: Immunization of Students

All students who enroll in the school unit schools are required by Maine law to present a certificate of immunization or evidence of immunization or immunity against poliomyelitis, diphtheria, pertussis (whooping cough), tetanus, measles, mumps, rubella and varicella (chicken pox).

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

- A. 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 their school career; or
- B. 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
- C. The parents/guardians state in writing each year that immunization is contrary to their sincere religious or philosophical beliefs.
- D. The parents/guardians grant written consent for their child to be immunized by a public health officer, physician, nurse or other authorized person employed by or acting as an agent of the school unit.

The Superintendent shall exclude from school 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.

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Legal Reference: 20-A MRSA §§ 6352-6359
Chapter 126 (Me. Dept. of Ed. Rules)

Cross Reference: JLCC – Communicable/Infectious Diseases
JRA – Student Educational Records

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This is a required policy.