

Students

Health Assessments and Immunizations

The Board of Education recognizes the importance of periodic health assessments according to state health regulations.

To determine health status of students, facilitate the removal of handicaps to learning and find whether some special adaptation of the school program may be necessary, the Board of Education requires that students have health assessments.

The Board of Education adheres to those state laws and regulations that pertain to school immunizations and health assessments. It is the policy of the Board of Education to insure that all enrolled students are adequately immunized against communicable diseases. The Board may deny continued attendance in school to any student who fails to obtain the health assessments required under C.C.S. 10-206.

Parents wishing their children exempted or excused from health assessments must request such exemption to the Superintendent of Schools in writing. This request must be signed by the parent/guardian.

It is the responsibility of the Principal to insure that each student enrolled has been adequately immunized and has fulfilled the required health assessments. The school nurse shall check and document immunizations and health assessments on all students enrolling in school and to report the status to the school principal. The school nurse shall also contact parents or guardians to make them aware if immunizations and/or health assessments are insufficient or not up-to-date. The school nurse will maintain in good order the immunization and health assessment records of each student enrolled.

Students may be exempt from immunization requirements only in accordance with state law. To claim a religious exemption, an exemption form must be submitted to the school nurse before enrolling the student for the first time and before entering seventh grade. The exemption form must be submitted with a properly signed acknowledgement.

No record of any student's medical assessment may be open to the public.

(cf. 5111 - Admission)

(cf. 5141.31 - Physical Examinations for School Programs (cf. 5125 - Student Records)

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Legal References: Connecticut General Statutes

- 10-204a Required immunizations
- 10-204c Immunity from liability
- 10-205 Appointment of school medical advisers
- 10-206 Health assessments
- 10-207 Duties of medical advisors
- 10-206a Free health assessments
- 10-208 Exemption from examination or treatment
- 10-208a Physical activity of student restricted; board to honor notice
- 10-209 Records not to be public. Provision of reports to schools.
- 10-212 School nurses and nurse practitioners.
- 10-214 Vision, audiometric and postural screenings. When required.
Notification of parents re defects; record of results.

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NEW MILFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
New Milford, Connecticut

New Milford Board of Education
Religious Exemption Statement

(Printed full, legal name of student)

I, the undersigned, do hereby swear or affirm, as the case may be as follows:

1. I am making this Religious Exemption Statement pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. § 10-204a so that the student may enroll in school for the first time or enter seventh grade at _____ school.
2. I am the lawful parent guardian of the student.
3. Immunizing said student would be contrary to student's parent's guardian's religious beliefs.
4. I understand that by claiming this exemption the student shall be exempt from the immunizations required by Conn. Gen. Stat. §§ 10-204a and 19a-7f.
5. I understand that during a vaccine-preventable disease outbreak at the above-identified school, all susceptible children, including the student will be excluded from school if a public health official determines that the school is a significant site for disease exposure, transmission and spread into the community. In such case, such children, including the student shall be excluded from school until: (1) the public health official determines that the outbreak danger has ended; (2) the child becomes ill with the disease and completely recovers from it; (3) the child is vaccinated according to public health protocol; or (4) the child has proof of immunity to the disease.

Name(s) of Parent(s)

Signature of Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

Date

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Signature of Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

Date

Address (Street & House or Apt. no.) Telephone(s) no.

City, State and Zip Code

TO CLAIM A RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION, AN EXEMPTION FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE PUBLIC OR NON-PUBLIC SCHOOL BEFORE ENROLLING IN THE SCHOOL FOR THE FIRST TIME AND BEFORE ENTERING SEVENTH (7TH) GRADE.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

STATE OF CONNECTICUT :
 : ss:
COUNTY OF _____ :

On this the ____ day of _____, _____, before me, _____ the undersigned officer, personally appeared _____ known to me (or satisfactorily proven) to be the person whose name he or she subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged that he or she executed the same for the purposes therein contained. In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand.

Judge
Family Support Magistrate
Clerk/Deputy Clerk (include seal)
Town Clerk
Notary Public My Commission expires (_____)
Justice of the Peace
Commissioner of the Superior Court (bar no. _____)