

UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #409

POLICY: JGCB

INOCULATIONS

It will be the policy of U.S.D. 409 to uphold the requirements of Kansas Immunization Law (KS Statute 72-5209) with the following specifications:

1. Every pupil enrolling in a pre-kindergarten or kindergarten class or who is enrolling in school for the first time shall present to school officials certification of immunization or furnish documentation to satisfy state requirements for each of the following: Diphtheria, Pertussis, Tetanus, Polio, Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Varicella, and Hepatitis B. Booster vaccines, as required by Secretary of the Department of Health & Environment, are also required. Children less than five years old entering pre-school will be additionally required to show proof of immunization for Haemophilus Influenzae Type B, Pneumococcal Conjugate, and Hepatitis A.

Documentation must be presented to school officials prior to school attendance.

2. Official immunization records from a previously attended school will be accepted from students entering grades K to 12. Every effort will be made by the school to obtain transfer records as soon as possible. Parents will be responsible for providing official certification of immunizations if transfer records for that pupil do not include immunization records.
3. School officials will provide information on immunizations on or before May 15 for known and prospective students and their parents, and at the beginning of a school year for parents and guardians of students in grades pre-school through 12. The information on immunizations will include:
 - The district policy and Kansas inoculation statute.
 - Related standards issued by the national centers for disease control and prevention.
 - A list of sources for additional information.

Information will be provided through the district website, Atchison Educational Station (Channel 19), school newsletters, at Kindergarten Round-Up, and at enrollment.

4. Parents of students who require additional immunizations will be notified by school officials of a date by which needed immunizations must be received. The date given will be determined by the schedule of immunizations of the American Academy of Pediatrics and the dates of available Atchison County Public Health Department Immunization Clinics.
5. Medical exemptions from vaccination will be accepted when signed by a licensed physician (M.D.) or licensed osteopath (D.O.). These exemptions must be provided annually.
6. Temporary medical exemptions from vaccination will be accepted when signed by a physician, osteopath, or Public Health Department official.
7. Parents claiming a religious exemption from immunization for their child must annually sign the Religious Exemption affidavit on the Kansas Certificate of Immunization form or provide a written, signed statement that the child is an adherent of a religious denomination