

## BP 5141.31 IMMUNIZATIONS

**Note: Effective July 1, 2009, school children must be immunized against varicella.**

Prior to first entry into school, a child must be fully immunized as required by law against diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus, polio, measles, rubella, mumps, hepatitis A, hepatitis B, and varicella. Children over the age of 12 shall not be required to be immunized against rubella (4 AAC 06.055).

Any student who does not show evidence of required immunization or who does not present a letter or affidavit from the parent/guardian or physician, physician's assistant, or advanced nurse practitioner stating reasons for exemption based on medical reasons or religious beliefs, as set forth in 4 AAC 06.055(b), shall be excluded from school until such time as the immunization is obtained or affidavit of exemption has been filed with the school. Exemptions must be renewed annually. Personal or philosophical objections to immunizations are not permitted per 4 AAC 06.055.

The Superintendent or designee shall exclude those students who fail to meet immunization requirements as required by law.

### Provisional Admission

Where regular weekly medical services are not available, the Superintendent or designee may grant provisional admission to students in exceptional circumstances for up to 90 days.

Homeless students, under the definition of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, who do not have a record of required immunizations may be provisionally enrolled for up to 30 days if a parent or legal guardian attests in writing that they have received the required immunizations.

*(cf. 5112.2 - Exclusion)*

*(cf. 5112.6 Education for Homeless Children and Children in Foster Care)*

**Note: Pursuant to 4 AAC 06.055 immunizations must be provided by state or federal health services if otherwise unavailable in the district or if unaffordable.**

Provisional admissions shall be reported to the Department of Health and Social Services. The Superintendent or designee shall inform parents/guardians of available immunization services and state or federal assistance.

*Legal Reference:*

*ALASKA STATUTES*

*14.30.065 Supervision*

*14.30.125 Immunization*

*ALASKA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE*

*4 AAC 06.055 IMMUNIZATIONS REQUIRED*

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