

**ANACORTES SCHOOL DISTRICT #103
IMMUNIZATION INFORMATION**

Dear Parent/Guardian:

As a condition for school attendance, Washington State law requires that all students either be immunized against certain preventable diseases or provide school personnel with written notification of exemption.

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS ARE:

- Diphtheria/Tetanus:** At least 4 doses of DTP, DT, or Td vaccine provided that the last dose was received at or after age four. A booster dose is recommended before a child's 17th birthday
- Pertussis:** (Whooping cough) At least 4 doses combined with Diphtheria/Tetanus vaccine provided that the last dose was received at or after age 4.
- Polio:** At least 3 doses of polio vaccine with the last dose at or after age four.
- *Measles (Rubeola):** 7-day measles; 2 doses of live virus vaccine administered at or after 1 year of age, and the second dose given at least 30 days after the first and prior to entry into school.
- *Rubella:** German measles, 3-day measles - two doses of live virus Rubella vaccine administered at or after one year of age, and the second dose given at least 30 days after the first and prior to entry into school.
- *Mumps:** Two doses of live virus vaccine administered at or after one year of age, and the second dose given at least 30 days after the first and prior to entry into school.
*Usually given as MMR Vaccine.
- Hepatitis B:** 3 doses given prior to entry to preschool or kindergarten
- Chickenpox:** 1 dose given on or after the first birthday OR parent reported history of disease.

Please print the information on the green and white *Certificate of Immunization Status* form. Enter the month, day and year, as accurately as you can remember for each dose of vaccine received. If your child has received more than 5 doses of polio/DTP/Td for which there are boxes, complete date information for the last 5 doses. Measles, mumps and rubella are usually combined into one vaccine (MMR). If your child received such a combined vaccine, enter date information in each appropriate box.

Statement of Exemption to Immunization Law

Your child may be exempted (excused) from immunization for medical, personal or religious reasons. However, if there is an outbreak of a vaccine-preventable disease that your child has not been immunized against, she or he may be excluded from school, preschool or child care until the outbreak is over.

Sign and date the form!

Your physician does not need to sign this form except to document a medical exemption or verify that your child has laboratory evidence of immunity to measles, rubella, or mumps. A parent cannot document this exemption or verification. This must be done by your child's physician.

The general objective of this immunization law is to help prevent disease and protect both your child and the community. **Again, please understand that compliance with the law is required for school attendance.**

Sincerely,

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District School Nurse

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