



BROCKPORT

CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Important Information Regarding Religious Exemptions From Vaccinations

Dear Parent/Guardian:

On June 13, 2019, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo signed legislation removing non-medical exemptions from school vaccination requirements for children. This means that there is *no longer a religious exemption allowed for children who attend a public, private or parochial school and students must be vaccinated*. We are writing to you now as there are rapidly approaching deadlines involved in this new legislation which will impact your child's ability to attend and remain in school.

If your child is set to attend summer programming such as BOCES 2 Extended School Year Services, the District Summer Literacy Program, or Regional Summer School, he/she must receive the first age appropriate dose in each immunization series by June 28, 2019 to attend or remain in school. Please provide the District with documentation no later than June 28, 2019 demonstrating that your child has received the first dose in each required immunization series.

Further, by July 14, 2019, you must provide the District with written documentation that you have made appointments for all required follow-up doses. Failure to comply with these requirements will result in your child being excluded from attending school. The deadline for follow-up doses depend on the vaccine. The New York State Department of Health follows the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices catch-up immunization schedule and expects children to receive required doses consistent with **Table 2** (see insert or available at the following address) in order to continue to attend school or child day care: <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/downloads/child/0-18yrs-child-combined-schedule.pdf>.

If your child is not attending a summer program, the deadline for obtaining first dose vaccinations for children attending school in the fall is 14 days from the first day of school. Within 30 days of the first day of school, parents and guardians of such children must show that they have made appointments for all required follow-up doses.

We will keep you updated as New York State gives us further guidance. We have also included a FAQ document which was created by the Department of Health, Office of Children and Family Services and the State Education Department. Please contact your child's current principal or school nurse with any additional questions, or to submit the required immunization and appointment documentation.

Sincerely,

Lesli C. Myers-Small, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

Enclosures