

MOON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: COMMUNICABLE DISEASES
AND IMMUNIZATION

ADOPTED: October 10, 2000

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<p>1. Purpose SC 1303a Title 28 Sec. 23.84</p> <p>2. Guidelines</p> <p>SC 1303a Act 15 of 1996 Title 22 Sec. 11.20</p> <p>SC 1303a</p> <p>3. Delegation of Responsibility</p> <p>Title 28 Sec. 23.83</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">203. COMMUNICABLE DISEASES AND IMMUNIZATION</p> <p>In order to safeguard the school community from the spread of certain communicable diseases, the Board requires the following procedures to be used.</p> <p><u>Immunization</u></p> <p>All students shall be immunized against certain diseases in accordance with Pennsylvania statutes, unless specifically exempt for religious or medical reasons.</p> <p>No student shall be admitted to school for the first time who has not been immunized against such diseases as are enumerated by the Advisory Health Board and in the manner directed by the Secretary of Health.</p> <p>The implementation of this policy shall be the responsibility of the Superintendent or the Assistant Superintendent and the building principal.</p> <p>A child shall be exempt from the requirements for immunization whose parent or guardian objects in writing to such immunization for religious grounds or whose physician certifies that the child's physical condition contraindicates immunization.</p> <p>The Superintendent shall:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Annually review the state standards for immunization of pupils and direct the responsible district personnel accordingly. 2. Inform parents and guardians of children prior to their entry to school for the first time of the requirements of immunization, the requisite proof of immunization, the exemption available for religious or medical reasons and the means by which such exemptions may be claimed.
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	<p>3. Investigate and recommend to the Board such district-sponsored programs of immunization as may from time to time be warranted by circumstances and the health of the school community. Any such program is subject to Board approval and should be conducted in cooperation with local health agencies.</p> <p><u>Health Records</u></p> <p>SC 1402 Pol. 209</p> <p>The district shall require that prior to admission to school for the first time that the parent(s) or guardian shall complete a medical history report form which shall include information regarding known communicable diseases. The nurse or school physician may use such reports to advise the parent of the need for further medical care as set forth in Policy No. 209.</p> <p>Title 28 Sec. 27.2, 27.23</p> <p>The school nurse(s) shall report the presence of suspected communicable diseases to the appropriate local health authority as required by the Department of Health.</p> <p>SC 1409</p> <p>All health records shall be confidential, and their contents shall be divulged only when necessary for the health of the child or at the request of the parent or guardian to a physician.</p> <p>Title 28 Sec. 23.85</p> <p>As part of the health record, a certificate of immunization for each child enrolled shall be maintained as established by the Pennsylvania Department of Health.</p> <p>The Board shall require that the medical history information submitted with health and dental examinations required under Policy 209 "Health Examinations" be periodically revised to include recent medical advice as to communicable diseases.</p>
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