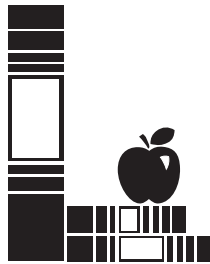


**PHYSICAL EXAMINATION AND IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS
IN NEBRASKA SCHOOLS
Health Services Department
Lincoln Public Schools
Lincoln, Nebraska**



Nebraska State Statute 79-214 (3) and Chapter 3 of Title NAC, Control of Communicable Disease (Revised) require:

1. Evidence of a physical examination by a qualified physician within six (6) months prior to the entrance of the child into the beginner grade and the seventh grade, or in the case of a transfer from out-of-state to any other grade of the local school; provided no such examination shall be required of any child whose parent or guardian shall object thereto in writing.
2. Each student in the state shall be protected against measles, mumps, rubella, polio, diphtheria, pertussis and tetanus by immunization **prior to enrollment. Students entering grades K through 4, 7 through 10, and all out-of-state transfers to any grade must be immunized against hepatitis B. Any student who does not comply shall not be permitted to continue in school until he or she shall so comply.**
3. Effective July 1, 2001 all students at all grade levels will be required to present evidence of a second MMR.

The statute further provides that immunizations will not be required for a student's enrollment in any school in the state if he or she submits to the school either of the following:

- (A) A statement signed by a physician licensed under the Uniform Licensing Law stating that, in the physician opinion, the immunizations required would be injurious to the health and well being of the student or any member of the student's family or household; or
 - (B) An affidavit signed by the student, or if he or she is a minor, by a legally authorized representative of the student stating that the immunization conflicts with the tenets and practice of a recognized religious denomination of which the student is an adherent or member or that immunization conflicts with the personal and sincerely followed religious beliefs of the student.
 - (C) Laboratory evidence of immunity, including name of laboratory, date of test, name of test, test result, signature of lab technician or laboratory director, and date of signature. For the purposes of the statute, clinical history of the disease does not constitute evidence of immunity. A student may be provisionally enrolled in a school in Nebraska if he or she has begun the immunizations required under Section 49-444.01 and continues to receive the immunizations as rapidly as is medically feasible.
4. The cost of physical examination and immunization shall be borne by the parent or guardian.

Please note: In the event of an outbreak of a vaccine-preventable communicable disease, unimmunized students will be excluded from school.

Immunization waiver forms are available in each school health office.