

STUDENTS AND INSTRUCTION **5000**

HEALTH AND SAFETY **5700**

IMMUNIZATIONS OF STUDENTS **5703**

Public school students will be required to present documentation from a primary care provider certifying the student has completed the minimal immunization requirements for enrollment in school as specified by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

The law and regulations provide for exclusion from school if immunizations are not complete and up to date. There are three situations in which children who are not appropriately immunized may be admitted to school:

A medical exemption is allowed if a physician submits documentation that an immunization is medically contraindicated;

A religious exemption is allowed if a parent or guardian submits a written statement that immunizations conflict with their sincere religious beliefs;

A homeless student in accordance with the McKinney-Vento Act.

Legal Reference: MGL 76

No Child Left Behind: Title X Part C Section 722(g)(3)(C)(iii)

Massachusetts Department of Education: McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act Advisories

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