A. Administrative Policies

6. School Health Programs

a. Student Immunization

- I. A student, upon entering the Narragansett Schools, shall be immunized as required by R.I.G.L. 16-21-SCHO Part III, which is incorporated and made a part of this policy. A copy of the Rules and Regulations shall be kept and made available for review at each of the school clinics. It is acknowledged that these Rules and Regulations are continually being revised by the Rhode Island Department of Health. Revisions of these Rules and Regulations shall be automatically made a part of this policy, except to the extent that a more stringent standard is set by this policy.
- II. Students who do not meet the minimum standards for Immunization and Communicable Disease Testing as set out in Section 2 of the Rules and Regulations, must present to the Administrative Head of the School, or his or her designee, documentary evidence that they shall obtain the necessary immunization within ten (10) school days, unless the scheduling of the lacking immunizations requires a longer "waiting period" (as that term is used in the Rules and Regulations) before its administration.
- III. Should a student not comply with the provision of Article II of this policy, he or she may be excluded from the Narragansett Schools until such time as the required immunization(s) has/have been received.
- IV. It is acknowledged that certain students are not immunized because of religious objections to such medical procedures. In such cases, the parent/guardian of such a student shall complete an "Immunization Exemption Form". Upon receipt of a completed "Immunization Exemption Form", the student may be admitted to the Narragansett Schools. However, should there be an outbreak of a vaccine-preventable disease in the school, or in circumstances where, in the opinion of the medical physician appointed by the Narragansett School Committee, such a student could pose a risk to other students at the Narragansett Schools, that student may be excluded for the duration of the outbreak, or for such time as he or she continues to pose such a medical risk.

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