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| TOPEKA PUBLIC SCHOOLS | REGULATION NUMBER: 8300-01 |
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I. PURPOSE

To implement and establish responsibility for the Kansas State Immunization Law.

II. PERSONNEL AFFECTED

A. Building principals

B. Nursing Services Staff

C. New students who have not previously attended a public school in Kansas

III. RESPONSIBILITY

Each Topeka Public School principal is responsible for enforcing the Kansas State Immunization Law and for follow-up of incomplete immunizations.

IV. PROCEDURE

A. The principal shall require that each student entering a Kansas school or preschool for the first time and such other students as designated by the secretary of health and environment, as a condition of admission to and attendance in the Topeka Public Schools, present certification from a licensed physician or health department that such student has received or is in the process of receiving such tests and inoculations as are deemed necessary by the secretary of health and environment by such means as are approved by the secretary. A student may be enrolled and allowed to attend school without the required certification for no more than 30 school days.

B. As an alternative to the Kansas Certification of Immunization required, a student shall present:

- 1. An annual written statement signed by a licensed physician stating the physical condition of the child to be such that the tests or inoculations would seriously endanger the life or health of such child, or**

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2. A written statement signed by one parent or lawful custodian that the child is an adherent of a religious denomination whose religious teachings are opposed to such tests or inoculations, or
3. A written statement signed by a licensed physician or health department that such tests or inoculations are in the process of being received and that the student has received the most recent appropriate inoculations in all required series.

Failure to timely complete all required series shall be deemed noncompliance.

- C. In accordance with the statute, the secretary of health and environment has designated the following diseases for which immunizations are required of all new school entrants: measles, mumps, rubella, polio, diphtheria, pertussis, and tetanus, varicella (chickenpox) and hepatitis B immunizations are required for all students. Students ages 4 and under in early childhood programs must also be immunized for hepatitis A, haemophilus influenza type B (Hib) and prevnar. Chickenpox vaccine is not required if a child has had chickenpox and it is documented by a physician's signature.
- D. The parent(s) or lawful custodian(s) of such students who have not received complete immunization against the listed diseases shall be informed on or before May 15 of each school year, of the requirement to complete immunizations as required by the Kansas School Immunization Law. If such requirements are not met, within 30 school days of the student's enrollment the next school year, building administrator shall notify the parent or lawful guardian in writing that the student may not attend school until the requirements have been met. Such notice shall contain the following information:
 1. The reason for the exclusion;
 2. A statement that the exclusion will continue until the student is in compliance with the statutory requirements;
 3. Information on where the vaccinations can be obtained; and
 4. Notice of the right to a hearing, upon request of the parent.
- E. Updating the immunization information on the Student Information Record will be recommended to parents at enrollment time each year. Records of immunization shall be maintained on forms and certificates prescribed by the Secretary of Health and Environment.
- F. Any student who has not presented evidence of immunization shall be excluded from school for any period of contagion if there is an outbreak of a disease for which the student has not been vaccinated.