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Dear Parent/Guardian:

The School District of Washington is required by Missouri Statute to ensure that all students within our district are compliant with current immunization standards. The statute states:

Section 167.181.1 It is unlawful for any student to attend school unless they have been immunized as required under the rules and regulations of the department of health and senior services, and can provide satisfactory evidence of such immunization; except that if they produce satisfactory evidence of having begun the process of immunization, they may continue to attend school as long as the immunization process is being accomplished in a prescribed manner. It is unlawful for any parent or guardian to refuse or neglect to have their child immunized as required by this section, unless the child is properly exempted.

To obtain a medical exemption, the district requires certification by a licensed doctor of medicine or doctor of osteopathy that either the immunization would seriously endanger the child's health or life or that the child has documentation of laboratory evidence of immunity to the disease.

To obtain a religious exemption card parents/guardians may contact the Bureau of Immunizations, your local health department or you can print one from the following link:

https://health.mo.gov/living/wellness/immunizations/pdf/IMMP-11a_580-1723_R.pdf

Bureau of Immunizations

Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services

PO Box 570

Jefferson City, MO 65102-0570

Phone: 573-751-6124

Fax: 573-526-0238

Email: immunization@health.mo.gov

If you have any questions regarding this process, please feel free to contact your school nurse or Chris Redd, Health Service Coordinator.

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