

## **STUDENT IMMUNIZATION**

The Berlin Central School District Board of Education establishes that, except to the extent be allowed by law, no child shall be permitted to attend for a period exceeding fourteen days any school operated by the District without presentation to the building principal, by the person in parental relation to the child, of a proper certificate, or some other acceptable evidence, of the child's immunization against poliomyelitis, mumps, measles, diphtheria, rubella, and, where applicable, haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib) and such other immunizations as required by the Public Health Law. The building principal shall so inform any individual bringing a child to school for the first time in the District, and shall also inform that individual of the means available for the necessary immunization to be provided.

Exceptions permitted by law are: when a child has transferred into the District from a school District not in New York State, when the period may be extended to thirty days upon the good faith effort made by the person in parental relation to the child to secure the necessary documentation; when a physician licensed to practice medicine in New York State certifies that such immunization may be detrimental to the health of the child, which exemption shall remain in effect until the immunization is found no longer to be detrimental; and when the child's parent, parents, or guardian holds genuine and sincere religious beliefs that are contrary to the immunization practices required by law.

Such reports of student exclusion under this policy and the Public Health Law as may be required shall be provided by the Superintendent of Schools or her/his designee.

An individual whose child has been excluded from attendance upon instruction in the District under the conditions described by this policy shall have the right to appeal the child's exclusion to the Commissioner of Education.

The Superintendent shall develop and disseminate such administrative rules and procedures as may be necessary to comply with this policy and the relevant provisions of the Public Health Law.

### **References**

Public Health Law Sec. 2164  
Education Law Sec. 310  
10 NYCRR 2.56; Part 66