

TEMPLE EMANUEL IMMUNIZATION POLICY FOR SCHOOL AGED PROGRAMS

Effective 8/23/19

Our Policy

Beginning with the launch of the 2019-2020 academic year, all students and staff enrolled in The Rabbi Steven Foster Early Learning Center, The Max Frankel Religious School, Temple Emanuel Youth Groups, and Shwayder Camp are required to have received age-appropriate vaccines as determined by the [Colorado Department of Health and Environment](#), [American Academy of Pediatrics \(AAP\)](#), and the [Center for Disease Control \(CDC\)](#).

In 2015 The Union for Reform Judaism (URJ) adopted a Mandatory Immunization Policy resolution with which all Reform congregants are being encouraged to align. ([Click here to read The Union for Reform Judaism's Resolution on Mandatory Immunization Laws](#)).

We know that some of our parents may have chosen to defer the vaccination of their children. Nonetheless, for the Temple Emanuel community, this not about individual rights and choice, but rather, it is an issue of public health and policy.

Required Vaccines (from the Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment):

- Diphtheria, tetanus, and pertussis (DTaP, DT, DTP, Tdap)
- Polio (IPV)
- Measles, mumps, rubella (MMR)
- Hepatitis B (HepB)
- Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib)
- Pneumococcal (PCV13)
- Varicella (chickenpox)

The number, timing, and spacing of the require vaccine doses is set by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP). To be considered valid, a dose of vaccine must meet both the minimum age and minimum intervals as defined by ACIP. You can view the ACIP vaccine schedule for persons 0-18 years of age at <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/imz/child-adolescent.html>.

Vaccines are recommended for rotavirus, hepatitis A, influenza, meningococcal disease, and human papillomavirus, but are not required.

Exemptions

Temple Emanuel will not accept personal or religious exemption for required immunizations.

Temple Emanuel recognizes that individuals who have had a documented allergy or severe adverse reaction to a particular vaccine, will not be able to receive further doses of that

individual vaccine. In addition, individuals with certain medical conditions will not be able to receive certain vaccines.

If your child cannot get vaccines because of medical reasons, you must submit a properly completed and signed official Immunization Medical Exemption Form with your child's registration for the 2021-2022 academic year. This form must be completed and signed by your child's licensed medical doctor (MD). You can get the form at <https://cdphe.colorado.gov/vaccine-exemptions>. Once completed, this form can be uploaded to your child's registration application.

Required Forms

All parents must submit a current immunization record form from your child's licensed medical doctor (MD), during the registration process. A participant's registration application, until proper immunizations records are provided, will be incomplete and will not be considered for enrollment for the 2021-2022 academic year.

We thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation. If you have any questions about our Immunization Policy, please contact Brad Cohen, Director of Youth & Family Learning at cohen@emanueldenver.org.