

PERSONAL RELIGIOUS EXEMPTIONS

To approve a personal religious exemption,

A parent/guardian must:

1. Write a detailed letter describing their “sincere religious beliefs”, AND
2. Sign the “Informed Consent for Refusal of Immunization Form”. **The parent/guardian signature must be notarized.** If the parent/guardian wishes, the form can be notarized in Health Services.
3. Send the letter and form to the Medical Director for review and approval.

The right to claim exemption from immunization based on religious beliefs is available for all persons who hold religious beliefs against immunizations, regardless of what any state statute may state, regarding the necessity for membership in any particular religious group or church.

The Medical Director will:

1. Review the letter and Informed Consent for Refusal of Immunization Form.
2. Notify the school nurse whether the request was approved.

The School Nurse will:

1. Notify the parent that the request was approved or rejected, based on the information received.
2. Document the exemption on the medical record.
3. Record the student’s name in a location that can be easily located in an event of an outbreak of a communicable disease.