

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We have received the appropriate documentation for your child to be religiously exempt under the Kansas State School Immunization Law and the Twin Valley Schools Board of Education Policy.

In accordance with K.A.R. 28-1-6, if an outbreak occurs with one of the following communicable illnesses, we will follow the guidelines from the Kansas State Statutes as listed below.

1. Chickenpox (varicella). Each infected person shall remain in isolation (excluded from school) until the vesicles become dry and crusted. Each susceptible person in a school shall either be vaccinated within 72 hours of first exposure or excluded from school for 21 days from the last exposure to an infectious case.

2. Pertussis (whooping cough). Each infected person shall remain in respiratory isolation (excluded from school) for three weeks if untreated, or until completion of an appropriate antibiotic. Close contacts should not be excluded, regardless of immunization status, but monitored for 21 days for signs and symptoms of pertussis. Each contact who develops symptoms compatible with pertussis shall be considered as having a case of pertussis and shall be excluded from school for three weeks or until completion of an appropriate antibiotic.

3. Mumps. Each infected person shall remain in isolation (excluded from school) for 9 days from the onset of any symptoms and at least 5 days following the onset of parotitis. Each susceptible person is to be excluded from school from day 12 to day 25 after exposure to an infectious case.

4. Measles (rubeola). Each infected person shall remain in isolation (excluded from school) for 4 days following the onset of rash. Each susceptible person in a school shall either be vaccinated within 72 hours of first exposure or excluded from school for 21 days from the last exposure to an infectious case.

If this exclusion should occur, the staff at USD 240 will continue to communicate with you regarding homework and assignments for your child.

If you have any questions about this policy, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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