## Memorandum of Understanding Immunization



Holy Rosary Catholic School requires that all students be vaccinated according to Idaho code (IDAPA 16.02.15) before registering for school.

However, should a parent/guardian choose to **not** have their child(ren) vaccinated, they are required to file an **Exemption Form** with the school. The **Exemption Form** can be obtained from the school secretary.

## What happens to exempted children in the event of disease outbreak?

In the event of a disease outbreak, unimmunized children are excluded from school until the outbreak is over. This is done both for the safety of the unimmunized children and the protection of others.

## What does this mean?

For example, if there is an outbreak (two or more cases) of Pertussis, the Center for Disease Control (CDC) states that unimmunized children/individuals are out of school for 21 days (length of incubation period) after the LAST known exposure.

**Example:** If there are two known cases of Pertussis in first grade, unimmunized students must stay home for 21 days. If after 15 days another case of Pertussis is identified, the 21 days starts over again. This means that an unimmunized child has the potential to miss almost two months of school.

## Impact to unimmunized students

Due to limited resources, Holy Rosary Catholic School cannot provide educational services to unimmunized students during an outbreak of disease. Parents/Guardians need to be aware that tuition fees will be charged while the student(s) are out of school. As per Holy Rosary Catholic School's attendance policy, any students absent more than 10 percent of the days (18 days) in any one year will be considered for retention at his or her grade level.

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