



SHREVEPORT

Office of the Chancellor

POLICY STATEMENT

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SUBJECT Immunization Policy

PURPOSE

To establish an immunization policy and related procedures for all students and to define adequate immunization, exemptions and proof required for same.

DEFINITIONS

Adequate immunization is defined as two immunizations for measles, mumps and rubella since birth or one immunization for measles, mumps and rubella at age 15 or older. The definition of "adequate immunization" may be changed from time to time to conform to recommendations of the Louisiana State Office of Public Health.

Proof of immunization or immunity is defined as a statement from a physician, public health clinic or other health care provider stating the dates of immunization or occurrence of disease, or date and result of antibody titers.

GENERAL POLICY

Effective for the spring semester 1991 and thereafter, no student born after 1956 shall enroll for the first time at Louisiana State University in Shreveport without documented proof of adequate immunization for or immunity to measles, mumps, and rubella. Students returning to LSUS after an absence of a semester or more shall be considered to be enrolling for the first time for purposes of this policy. This policy excludes students matriculating only in off-campus or continuing education/extension courses. Exemptions from immunization requirements are permitted for medical, religious, or other personal reasons.

A student who is required to furnish proof of immunization, immunity or exemption is expected to have furnished adequate proof of immunization or immunity or exemption to the Office of Admissions and Records prior to completion of registration for a semester or summer session. Failure to furnish adequate proof shall cause the registration of that student for that semester or summer session to be denied until such proof is furnished.

Requests for waivers for exemption because of medical reasons must be signed by a physician.

Requests for waivers for exemption because of religious or other personal reasons may be signed by the student (or by a parent or legal guardian if the student is not yet 18 years of age).

Students who elect exemption from the immunization requirement for medical, religious, or other personal reasons and students who have not provided proof of adequate immunization or immunity for any other reason will be required to leave the campus in the event of an outbreak of measles, mumps, or rubella on the campus and may be required to remain away from the campus and classes until the appropriate incubation period of the disease active on the campus has expired. An outbreak is defined as one case of measles and numbers of cases of rubella and mumps as defined by the Louisiana State Health Officer. Unimmunized students may avoid exclusion from the campus and classes by obtaining immunization and furnishing proof thereof.

The Chancellor shall have the authority to change the definition of adequate immunization to conform to current state law and to current public health recommendations.

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