Coordinated By: Registrar’s Office
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Subject: Student Immunization Record

I. PURPOSE

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

II. DEFINITIONS

Proof - A written 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.

Rubeola (Measles) -- Proof from a health care provider of administration of two doses of measles vaccine (or combination vaccines containing measles vaccine) given at least one month apart, in 1968 or later, and after one year of age, or documentation of immunity or past disease by a statement from a physician or a serologic test.

Mumps -- Proof from a health care provider of administration of mumps vaccine, documentation of immunity by serologic test or documentation of past disease by a physician or other health care provider.

Rubella (German Measles) -- Proof from a health care provider of administration of rubella vaccine or documentation of immunity by serologic test or documentation of past disease by a physician or other health care provider.

Tetanus -- Proof from a health care provider of administration of tetanus immunization within the last ten years.

Diphtheria -- Proof from a health care provider of administration of diphtheria immunization within the last ten years.

Meningococcal -- Proof from a health care provider of administration of Menactra vaccine at any time or Menomune vaccine within the past year.
III. PROCEDURES

Effective for the spring 1991 and thereafter, no student born after 1956 shall enroll for the first time at Louisiana State University Shreveport (LSUS) without documented proof of adequate immunization for or immunity to measles, mumps, rubella, tetanus and diphtheria, and meningococcal meningitis. 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. Graduate students returning to LSU after an absence of three semesters 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 and degree only candidates. Exemptions from immunization requirements are permitted for medical, religious, or other personal reasons.

A student to whom this law applies are required to submit proof of immunizations, immunity or exemption to the Admissions and Records after being admitted into LSUS. Failure to comply with Louisiana Law R.S. 17:170; Schools of Higher Learning will cause a student to be ineligible to attend classes until the student complies. Classes may be purged if a student is not in compliance by established deadlines as publicized by the Admissions and Records Office.

Requests for exemption because of medical reasons must be accompanied by a signed statement from a physician or other health care provider. 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 requirements for medical, religious, or other personal reasons, and students who have not provided proof of adequate immunization or immunity for any other reason may be required to leave the campus in the event of an outbreak of measles, mumps, rubella, or meningitis and may be required to remain away from campus until the appropriate incubation period of the disease has expired. Students not immunized may avoid exclusion from the campus 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.
AUTHORIZED BY:

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Date: 12/16/19

APPROVED BY:

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Lawrence Clark, Chancellor

Date: 12/17/19

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