



# IDAHO CERTIFICATE OF IMMUNIZATION EXEMPTION

## School Immunization Requirement

The Idaho Department of Health and Welfare strongly supports immunization as one of the easiest and most effective tools in preventing serious communicable diseases. These vaccine-preventable diseases can cause serious illness and even death. The Idaho Department of Health and Welfare also recognizes that individuals have the right to make the decision whether or not to vaccinate their children.

**SECTION 1: Please read the following statements, check the box(es), and initial and date each statement regarding vaccine-preventable diseases for which an exemption is claimed. Sections 1 and 2 must be completed for this exemption to be valid.**

- Diphtheria (DTaP, Tdap, Td):** I understand by not receiving this vaccine, my child is at increased risk of developing diphtheria. Serious symptoms and effects of this disease include: heart complications, paralysis, respiratory complications, coma, and death. \_\_\_\_\_  
Initial Date
- Tetanus (DTaP, Tdap, Td):** I understand by not receiving this vaccine, my child is at increased risk of developing tetanus. Serious symptoms and effects of this disease include: seizures, laryngospasm, neuromuscular disease, and death. \_\_\_\_\_  
Initial Date
- Pertussis (Whooping Cough) (DTaP, Tdap):** I understand by not receiving this vaccine, my child is at increased risk of developing pertussis. Serious symptoms and effects of this disease include: pneumonia, seizures, inflammation of the brain, neurological complications, and death. \_\_\_\_\_  
Initial Date
- Polio:** I understand by not receiving this vaccine, my child is at increased risk of developing polio. Serious symptoms and effects of this disease include: paralysis, permanent disability, and death. \_\_\_\_\_  
Initial Date
- Measles (MMR):** I understand by not receiving this vaccine, my child is at increased risk of developing measles. Serious symptoms and effects of this disease include: pneumonia, encephalitis, seizures, and death. \_\_\_\_\_  
Initial Date
- Mumps (MMR):** I understand by not receiving this vaccine, my child is at increased risk of developing mumps. Serious symptoms and effects of this disease include: meningitis, inflammation of the testicles or ovaries, sterility, pancreatitis, deafness, and death. \_\_\_\_\_  
Initial Date
- Rubella (German Measles) (MMR):** I understand by not receiving this vaccine, my child is at increased risk of developing rubella. Serious symptoms and effects of this disease include: encephalitis, arthritis, and neuritis. Congenital infection can result in deafness, heart defects, mental retardation, liver and spleen damage, and death. \_\_\_\_\_  
Initial Date
- Hepatitis B:** I understand by not receiving this vaccine, my child is at increased risk of developing hepatitis B. Serious symptoms and effects of this disease include: jaundice (yellow skin or eyes), life-long liver problems, such as scarring and liver cancer, and death. \_\_\_\_\_  
Initial Date
- Varicella (Chickenpox):** I understand by not receiving this vaccine, my child is at increased risk of developing varicella. Serious symptoms and effects of this disease include: severe skin infections, pneumonia, brain damage, encephalitis, and death. \_\_\_\_\_  
Initial Date
- Varicella Disease History:** My child has had chickenpox, but was not diagnosed by a physician. I decline to have my child receive the varicella vaccine and thus request a philosophical exemption from this requirement. \_\_\_\_\_  
Initial Date
- Hepatitis A:** I understand by not receiving this vaccine, my child is at increased risk of developing hepatitis A. Serious symptoms and effects of this disease include: jaundice (yellow skin or eyes), hospitalization, and even death. \_\_\_\_\_  
Initial Date
- Meningococcal:** I understand by not receiving this vaccine, my child is at increased risk of developing meningococcal disease. Serious symptoms and effects of this disease include: neurological damage, sepsis, permanent scarring or loss of limbs, and death. \_\_\_\_\_  
Initial Date

Please continue to  
complete Section 2

**SECTION 2: Please select ONE of the following exemption types for vaccines checked above.**

**MEDICAL EXEMPTION** (This exemption requires the signature of a licensed physician)

As the physician for \_\_\_\_\_, I certify that the physical condition of this child is such that the immunizations checked in Section 1 would endanger the health of the child.

- This medical exemption is permanent.
- This medical exemption is temporary. Duration of temporary exemption: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

I hereby request that this child be exempted from the Immunization Requirements for Idaho School Children (IDAPA 16.02.15) due to a medical condition for which immunizations are contraindicated.

_____ Name of Physician (PRINT)	_____ Signature of Physician	_____ Medical License #	_____ Date
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As the parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, I understand that in the event of a disease outbreak my child may be excluded from school for the duration of the outbreak, both for his/her own protection and for the protection of others. I acknowledge that I have read this document in its entirety and I fully understand it.

_____ Name of Parent/Guardian (PRINT)	_____ Signature of Parent/Guardian	_____ Date
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_____ Full Name of Exempted Child (PRINT)	_____ Child's Date of Birth (Month, Day, Year)
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**RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION**

As the parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, I certify that I am a member of a recognized religious organization which has doctrine that opposes immunizations for the following reason(s):

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I understand that in the event of a disease outbreak my child may be excluded from school for the duration of the outbreak, both for his/her own protection and for the protection of others. I acknowledge that I have read this document in its entirety and I fully understand it.

_____ Name of Parent/Guardian (PRINT)	_____ Signature of Parent/Guardian	_____ Date
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**PHILOSOPHICAL EXEMPTION**

As the parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, I am opposed to having my child receive the immunization(s) checked in Section 1 of this form for the following reason(s):

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I understand that in the event of a disease outbreak my child may be excluded from school for the duration of the outbreak, both for his/her own protection and for the protection of others. I acknowledge that I have read this document in its entirety and I fully understand it.

_____ Name of Parent/Guardian (PRINT)	_____ Signature of Parent/Guardian	_____ Date
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