

Desert Christian Schools

Medical & Student Health Information

Immunizations

Desert Christian Schools must comply with Arizona state law regarding immunizations for school children. According to the law, no student may attend classes until the school has a complete and up to date immunization history. Verifiable documentation is required. Parental confirmation is not acceptable. Therefore, please note the following:

Immunizations must be current for school attendance. All students must provide a photocopy of their **current** immunization record, prior to the start of school. All copies of current immunization records must be official records from a Licensed Health Care Provider or the Health Department. (Parents cannot fill out their own form to then submit to the school).

Communicable Diseases

Pima County Health Department requires that we track and report numerous different communicable diseases. Please remember to report the following communicable diseases to Health Services (bold lettering indicates PCHD reporting requirements):

Campylobacteriosis	Escherichia coli	Influenza**	Shigellosis
Chicken Pox	Haemophilus Influenzae	Measles/Mumps/Rubella	Shingles
Conjunctivitis (Pink Eye)	Head Lice	Meningitis	Strep Infection
Cryptosporidiosis	Hepatitis A	Salmonellosis	Whooping Cough
Diarrhea, Nausea, Vomiting	Impetigo	Scabies	

For all diseases listed above, please provide the date the symptom began, the date the disorder was diagnosed, the name and phone number of the doctor, plus any medications prescribed.

*****Please inform the school office if your student is ill with a temperature > 100 degrees Fahrenheit and respiratory symptoms (with no other diagnosis).***

Medications

If it is necessary for a student to take ANY medication during school hours, Arizona Law requires parents to take the medicine to the office and complete a "Medication Request Form" explaining the dosage and frequency of administration. All medications must be in their original containers; prescription medications must have the pharmacy label. No medication can be administered without written permission and instruction from a parent. Students are not allowed to have ANY medications in their possession while on the school grounds without specific permission from the administration. Medication Request Forms are available through the school office.

Illness or Injury

If a student becomes too ill to attend **class** or is injured, a parent will be notified. Because DCS does not have health care professionals on staff, only basic first aid will be given. **It is most important that the school be notified of any change of address or phone number, including unlisted numbers**, so that contact can be made immediately in case of emergency. DO NOT send sick children to school. DO NOT send a child to school for diagnosis of an illness. Students who have been ill with a fever may NOT return to school until their temperature has remained normal for 12 hours (unless directed otherwise by a doctor).

Serious/Chronic Conditions

DCS is willing to accept students with serious illnesses or chronic conditions (such as asthma, allergies, diabetes, attention disorders, heart disorders, leukemia, etc.) provided that:

1. The condition has been brought to the attention of the administrator upon submitting an application for admission or upon diagnosis once the student is enrolled
2. Desert Christian is able to meet the physical and/or educational needs of the student within the established program of the school
3. The child is under the care of a physician
4. The parents are willing to remain in close communication with the school regarding needs and changes in the student's condition.
5. The parents work with The School Principal or Health Service Coordinator in creating a "care plan" for the student and those involved with the child in caring for his/her special needs.

I have read and agree to these policies.

Print Parent/Guardian Name
Date

Parent/Guardian Signature