

KANSAS CITY ART INSTITUTE

Name of Policy: Immunizations
Source: Student Affairs
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Form to Complete: Immunization Form, Exemption Forms, Meningitis Waiver, and TB Screening Questionnaire, see Disability and Academic Support Coordinator to initiate

Policy:

All new students are required to submit the following information before attending classes at KCAI.

- Immunization records
- Meningococcal waiver OR documentation of receiving the meningococcal vaccination
- Tuberculosis (TB) screening questionnaire

If student immunization records, meningococcal waiver and/or proof of vaccine, and TB screening questionnaire (with applicable follow up if identified as high risk) are NOT received by the first day of the first semester in which the student attends, the student may be charged a \$100.00 fine and a hold may be placed on their student account until all forms and documentation has been submitted and the \$100.00 fine has been paid in full. A hold on a student account will prohibit the student from registering for the next academic semester. Students receiving a fine and hold placed on their student account will be notified by a member of the Student Affairs staff via email.

Required Immunizations

MMR – Students born on or after January 1, 1957 must comply with the MMR immunization policy, which requires two (2) vaccines against measles and one against mumps and rubella. The first measles vaccine or combination measles/mumps/rubella vaccine (MMR) must have been given at age 12 months or later. A second vaccine for measles or MMR must have been administered at least one month after the first one.

MUMPS – The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) now recommends a second dose of mumps-containing vaccine for students attending colleges, or other post high-school educational institutions, who lack other evidence of immunity.

Updated recommendations for the control and elimination of mumps

Students attending colleges are considered at high risk for infection. It is now recommended:

- Receive a second dose of mumps-containing vaccine, for a total of 2 doses, if vaccinated once before; or

- Receive 2 doses of mumps-containing vaccine, separated by a minimum interval of 28 days, if never vaccinated. Additional information on mumps prevention and control can be found at www.cdc.gov and by checking with your local public health agency

Recommended Immunizations

- Update tetanus booster (every 10 years)
 - Varicella vaccination (if there is no childhood history of chicken pox)
 - Hepatitis B
 - Annual influenza vaccine
 - Meningitis vaccination (all students who will reside in the Living Center)
- IF YOU ARE RESIDING IN THE LIVING CENTER, YOU MUST PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION OF RECEIVING THE MENINGOCOCCAL VACCINATION OR SIGN A WAIVER THAT YOU HAVE RECEIVED EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS, BUT HAVE CHOSEN NOT TO RECEIVE THE VACCINATION. *You will not be allowed to move into the Living Center without this waiver or a copy of your meningitis immunization. Failing to comply with art institute policy will interfere with your ability to attend classes.***

Examples of acceptable documents include:

- Copies of personal immunization records or baby book records
- Copies of high school or previous college immunization records
- Copies of physician office or Health Department immunization records
- Copies of medical records from personal health provider or hospital
- Copy of Rubeola titer (measles)

Exemptions

- Students born prior to January 1, 1957 are exempt from providing proof of vaccination to measles, mumps and rubella only.
- Religious or Personal belief: Students must submit a signed and dated document detailing the objection to immunizations based on religious texts or practices and/or personal beliefs.
- Medical: If there is a medical condition that contraindicates the vaccine(s), student must submit a signed declaration from their personal healthcare provider.