Title: Juilliard Student Immunization Policy

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Applies to: All Juilliard students enrolled in six (6) or more credit hours per semester

Effective Date: May 14, 2024

All new Juilliard students enrolled in six or more credit hours per semester (collectively referred to as “Students” for purposes of this Policy) must provide official documentation of the following:

1. Proof of immunity to measles, mumps and rubella (MMR). This is generally two doses of MMR vaccine, the first dose given no more than 4 days before the student’s first birthday. See page 3 for alternatives to prove immunity.

2. A signed and completed Tuberculosis Screening Form. The Tuberculosis Screening Form provides guidance as to whether the Student is required to complete TB testing within 12 months prior to starting school.

3. A signed and completed Meningococcal Meningitis Response Form. All Students must sign and submit this form.

4. Proof of Meningococcal Meningitis ACWY vaccine at age 16 or older. This vaccine is required if the Student resides in the Residence Hall.

NOTE: All forms referenced in this Policy are part of the Student Health Record that must be completed by each Student prior to registering for classes.

Compliance Deadlines

New students:
Documented proof of immunity to measles, mumps, rubella, TB screening, the signed Meningococcal Meningitis Response Form and proof of Meningococcal ACWY vaccination must be submitted to Juilliard Health Services by July 15, 2024 for the Fall Semester. Students who arrive at Juilliard without required documentation and fail to respond to written notice from Health Services will be called to the Provost’s Office and may be dismissed from the School.
Students may upload, email or mail original documentation signed by a licensed health care provider, a copy of a signed and authorized school record or the completed and signed Health Record form to Health Services. Students can email healthservices@juilliard.edu for more information on submitting documentation.

Juilliard Requirements

Tuberculosis Screening Requirement
The Juilliard School requires all Students to complete the Tuberculosis Screening Form. If the answer is “yes” to any of the questions, the Tuberculosis Risk Assessment must be completed and signed by a health care provider, including providing proof of TB testing within 12 months prior to starting school.

Meningococcal Meningitis Vaccine Requirements for Students Living on Campus
The Juilliard School requires all students living on-campus in the Residence Hall to provide documentation of one dose of the meningococcal meningitis vaccine ACWY at age 16 or older.

New York State Requirements

All college level undergraduate and graduate students enrolled in six or more credit hours in New York State are required to provide evidence of immunization as a prerequisite to enrollment and/or continued college attendance beyond 30 days (45 days for out-of-state students) as follows:

Measles
Students born on or after January 1, 1957 must submit proof of immunity to measles. Only one of the following is required:

• The student must submit proof of two doses of live measles vaccine: the first dose given no more than 4 days prior to the student's first birthday and the second at least 28 days after the first dose; or
• The student must submit serological proof of immunity to measles. This means the student must show proof of measles antibodies through a blood test performed by an approved medical laboratory and submit a copy of the lab report; or
• The student must submit a signed statement from the diagnosing physician that the student has had measles.

Mumps
Students born on or after January 1, 1957 must submit proof of immunity to mumps. Only one of the following is required:

• The student must submit proof of one dose of live mumps vaccine given no more than 4 days prior to the student’s first birthday; or
• The student must submit serological proof of immunity to mumps. This means the student must show proof of mumps antibodies through a blood test performed by an approved medical laboratory and submit a copy of the lab report; or
The student must submit a signed statement from the diagnosing physician that the student has had mumps.

Rubella
Students born on or after January 1, 1957 must submit proof of immunity to rubella. Only one of the following is required:

- The student must submit proof of one dose of live rubella vaccine given no more than 4 days prior to the student’s first birthday; or
- The student must submit serological proof of immunity to rubella. This means the student must show proof of rubella antibodies through a blood test performed by an approved medical laboratory and submit a copy of the lab report. (Since rubella rashes resemble other types of rashes, it is impossible to diagnose reliably on clinical grounds alone. Serological evidence is the only permissible alternative to immunization.)

Meningococcal Meningitis Vaccine Response Form Requirements-New York State law
New York law requires all students attending post-secondary institutions for six or more credit hours per semester to produce a record of meningococcal meningitis ACWY immunization within the past five years or sign an acknowledgment of meningococcal disease risks and refusal of meningococcal meningitis immunization. ALL STUDENTS MUST SIGN THE MENINGITIS RESPONSE FORM.

Exemptions from Immunizations

Juilliard requires the completion of the Immunization Waiver Form and in addition must certify separately in writing the following:

Medical Exemption: If a licensed physician, nurse practitioner or, for the Measles/Mumps/Rubella or Meningococcal Meningitis vaccine, a licensed midwife caring for a pregnant student, certifies in writing that a Student has a health condition or other valid contraindication to receiving a specific vaccine, then a temporary (for resolvable conditions such as pregnancy) or permanent exemption may be granted. The written statement must specify those immunizations that may be detrimental to the Student’s health, the length of time during which they may be detrimental, and the elements of the Student’s medical history or condition relevant to the exemption.

Religious Exemption: The Student must submit a signed statement describing the Student’s sincere and genuine religious beliefs which prohibit immunization. In the event the Student is a minor, the statement must be submitted by the student’s parent or guardian. When a religious exemption is claimed, Juilliard may require supporting documentation.

References
New York State Public Health Laws 2165 and 2167.