

Statement of Exemption from Vaccination and Immunizations

As the parent / guardian of _____, a student enrolled in the Hartsbrook School Farm Camp, I hereby assert that this child shall be exempt from vaccination and immunization requirements as such measures conflict with our family's deeply held religious beliefs. While this child may have received immunizations in the past, it is now my firm conviction that vaccination or immunization practices go against our deeply held religious beliefs.

I understand that this exemption shall remain in effect throughout all the years of enrollment in the Hartsbrook School Farm Camp, unless this child receives a vaccination or immunization—which will nullify this signed statement. I may renew this statement if requested by school personnel, in order to ensure any continued exemption to specific vaccines or immunizations may remain in effect.

If our family's religious beliefs conflict with only certain vaccines, I have noted them below in order to provide exemption to those and yet still allow for vaccination of this child for other diseases, without nullifying this statement of exemption.

Specific vaccine exemption (CHECK any that apply):

(This section need NOT be completed if ALL vaccines are to be exempt from the date of this statement onward. Completing this section will allow for vaccination for other diseases without needing to renew this statement.)

_____ Measles-Mumps-Rubella (MMR)
_____ Hepatitis B
_____ Varicella (Chickenpox)
_____ Other (_____)

I understand that this child may be excluded from school activities if any vaccine-preventable disease for which he/she is not vaccinated (or otherwise immune) is active in the school community. I will accept the advice from the school nurse (or other school medical personnel) regarding any exclusion necessary or other measures that may be needed to maintain attendance.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Printed Name _____

Date _____

Section 15 of Chapter 76 of the Massachusetts General Laws:

“In the absence of an emergency or epidemic of disease declared by the Department of Public Health, no child whose parent or guardian stated in writing that vaccination or immunization conflicts with his [or her] sincere religious beliefs shall be required to present said physician's certificate [i.e. immunization report / vaccination certificate] in order to be admitted to school.”