

EXEMPTIONS 101



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What is a religious exemption?

Religious exemptions are used when a parent has a sincerely held belief that prohibits their child/children from receiving vaccinations.

How Do I Get an exemption?

Because each state sets their own laws, every process is different for each state.

It can also depend on the school. Your school may have their own form for you to complete.

Exemption Request Form

Arkansas Requirements

Arkansas Immunization Exemption Application 2022-2023 School Year

Please Note: To avoid processing delays, be sure to complete each part.

1. Select ONE of the following reasons for your exemption request:

MEDICAL **RELIGIOUS** **PHILOSOPHICAL**
(Medical - You must attach a physician's letter stating the medical reason)

2. Child's FULL Name and Contact Information:

First _____ Middle _____ Last _____

Mailing Address _____ City _____ County _____
(Include P.O. Box and/or Apartment #)

State _____ Zip _____ Gender _____ Date of Birth _____ - _____ - _____

Race: (Select up to 3) Alaskan Native or American Indian Asian Black or African American Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander White Other

Ethnicity: (Select 1) Hispanic or Latino Not Hispanic or Latino

3. Childcare or School Information: Select ONE: Public Private

Select ONE: Home/Virtual Childcare Preschool Elementary Middle Jr. High Sr. High

Facility/School _____ Public School District _____
(Home school, childcare or private school - Need school affiliation or curriculum)

Street Address _____ City _____

County _____ Zip _____ Grade _____

FIRST DAY OF ATTENDANCE FOR 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR: _____ / _____ /20
Month/Day/Year

4. Parent/Guardian Contact Information:

First _____ Middle _____ Last _____

Street/Mailing Address _____ City _____ County _____

State _____ Zip _____ Daytime Phone (____) _____ - _____ E-mail _____

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The Arkansas Department of Health is authorized by Act 999 of 2003 to grant individual exemptions from the immunization requirements. This website allows you to submit an application for exemption. The application may be completed by parents or guardians of students or by students who are 18 years of age or older.

An application requesting an exemption must be submitted for each child or student. An application with a notarized signature of the parent/guardian, or the student over 18 years of age, must be submitted each school year to the Department of Health. Only a valid Immunization Exemption Application will be accepted for the school year. When approved, exemptions will be effective for the start of the Fall session and go through the Summer sessions.

As part of the application, the law requires that the parent/guardian or college student complete an educational activity when requesting an exemption. The required educational activity can be met by reading the included Vaccine Information Statements from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Complete your Immunization Exemption Application, print it, sign it, have it notarized, and return it to the Arkansas Department of Health Immunization Section. They will send you a letter of approval or denial within ten working days of receiving a completed application.

After you have received your approval letter, you are responsible for notifying the student's daycare, school, college, or university that your exemption request has been approved.