

SAN LEANDRO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Mike McLaughlin, Ed. D. Superintendent

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RE: New Immunization Requirements for 2016

Dear Parent or Legal Guardian:

Under a new law known as SB 277, beginning January 1, 2016 exemptions based on personal beliefs, including religious beliefs, will no longer be an option for the vaccines that are currently required for entry into child care or school in California. Most families will not be affected by the new law because their children have received all required vaccinations. Personal beliefs exemptions on file for a child already attending child care or school will remain valid until the child reaches the next immunization checkpoint at kindergarten (including transitional kindergarten) or 7th grade.

For more information about SB 277, please see the Frequently Asked Questions available at: <u>http://www.shotsforschool.org/laws/sb277faq/</u>.

For more information about school immunization requirements and resources, please visit the California Department of Public Health's website at <u>www.shotsforschool.org</u>, or contact your <u>local</u> <u>health department</u> or <u>county office of education</u>.

If you have additional questions and would like to speak to a district representative, please call 510-667-3551 or 510-667-6427.

Thank you for helping us to keep our children and community healthy.

Sincerely,

Victoria Forrester, Director Student Services-Special Education-Community Wellness