

## Immunizations

In accordance with New Mexico State Law, we require that an updated immunization record for each student be on file in order for that student to attend Rio Grande School. **Your child cannot come to school if the immunization record is not up-to-date. This means we have to receive it in time to process it before the first day of school.**

**Please send us these records as soon as possible, so that our school records can be updated in advance of the beginning of the school year.** You may have your doctor provide your child's immunization record, or you may copy your child's immunization card and provide it to us. You can fax it to us at 505-986-0012.

Alternatively, if you do not follow the required New Mexico schedule of vaccines, you need to complete a Certificate of Exemption form, have it notarized, and get approval from the New Mexico State Department of Health. You can download the form from the Department of Health website at [www.immunizenm.org/documents/Exemption\\_new.pdf](http://www.immunizenm.org/documents/Exemption_new.pdf). Please provide a copy of the approval to RGS.

**For returning students in Early Childhood (Pequenos, Grandes, and Kindergarten):** Due to licensure requirements, you must submit new immunization records every year.

\_\_\_\_\_ My child's updated immunization record (or Department of Health exemption approval) is enclosed.

\_\_\_\_\_ I will return my child's updated immunization record (or Department of Health exemption approval) **at least one week before the first day of school** on August 22, 2011.

**For returning students in Grades 1-6:** An update of your child's immunization record is needed only when your child has had additional immunizations beyond those reflected in the most recent record.

\_\_\_\_\_ The immunization record that the school currently has is updated and complete.

\_\_\_\_\_ I will return an updated immunization record for my child **at least one week before the first day of school** on August 22, 2011.

\_\_\_\_\_ The school has on file the Department of Health exemption approval.

### **For new students:**

\_\_\_\_\_ My child's updated immunization record (or Department of Health exemption approval) is enclosed.

\_\_\_\_\_ I will return my child's updated immunization record (or Department of Health exemption approval) **at least one week before the first day of school** on August 22, 2011.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_