



Statement of Residence Hall Immunization Requirement:

Pearl River Community College has adopted a student housing requirement regarding immunization against measles, mumps, and rubella for all residence hall students.

All first time PRCC residence hall students must provide proof of immunity to measles, mumps, and rubella by Friday of the first week of classes. Persons born before January 1, 1957 are exempt from the requirement.

1. No PRCC residence hall student will be permitted to attend Pearl River Community College after the first week of classes unless one of the following documents has been submitted:
 - A. certificate of immunization or positive serology test.
 - B. Proof that shows the student is in the process of completing the requirements.
 - C. A medical exemption from a licensed health care provider, certifying in writing that one or more of the required immunizations may be detrimental to the student's health or is otherwise medically contraindicated (See medical exemption form).
 - D. A written and signed Religious Waiver from the student or in the event that the student is less than 18 years old, from their parent or guardian, that they hold sincere and genuine religious beliefs which prohibit immunizations of the student. The college may require supporting documents (See religious exemption form).

2. Proof of immunization and/or compliance will be determined by the College Nurse and reported to the Office of Student Services. Follow-up of students in the process of receiving immunization will be done by the College Nurse. Student immunization records will be maintained in a confidential manner in the Health Services Office and access will be limited to personnel whose job duties require information from these records.

3. Pearl River Community College will report all cases of measles, mumps, and rubella to the Mississippi State Department of Health.

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PRCC Health Services Office
Hours: 8:00am to 3:00pm Monday – Friday (Fall/Spring Semesters Only)

****The Office of Health Services will open on the first day of classes each semester. All documents must be submitted to the Office of Student Services located on the 2nd floor of the Administration Building****



Immunization Requirement

Residence Hall students must comply and return this completed document to the Office of Student Services located on the 2nd floor of the Administration Building. If you are not exempt, please complete one of the options below and attach the necessary documentation. Persons born before January 1, 1957 are exempt from the requirement.

Please submit your documents in person or in one of the following ways:

Mail:

Pearl River Community College
Office of Student Services
101 Highway 11 North
Box 5805
Poplarville, MS 39470

Email:

Carla Crider
ccrider@prcc.edu

Fax:

601.403.1413

Name of Student _____ Date of Birth ____/____/____

PRCC ID _____ PRCC Email _____

REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS:	Month:	Day:	Year:
MMR #1 Measles, Mumps, Rubella (after 1 st birthday)			
MMR #2 Measles, Mumps, Rubella (given at least 28 days or more after the first)			
OR			
Copy of blood test results proving immunity to the Rubeola (Measles) <u>must</u> be attached			
OPTIONAL RECOMMENDED IMMUNIZATIONS:			
Meningococcal Vaccination			

Healthcare Provider Office Stamp: _____ Date _____

(If no stamp, you **MUST** send copy of records)

*Provider Stamp is not necessary if a copy of vaccination records are attached.

See Medical or Religious exemptions on the reverse side

Immunization Waivers

MEDICAL EXEMPTION

Students with medical exemptions shall be permitted to attend college except in the case of a vaccine-preventable disease outbreak in the college. All susceptible students will be excluded from college based on public health officials' determination that the college is a primary site for disease exposure, transmission and spread into the community. Students excluded from college for this reason will not be able to return to school until:

1. the danger of the outbreak has passed as determined by public health officials
2. the student becomes ill with the disease and completely recovers, or
3. the student is immunized.

For example, for measles, the complete incubation period is 18 days from the onset of symptoms for the last case in the community. Outbreaks like measles may last for several months.

Students seeking an exemption on the basis that a given immunization is medically contraindicated should attach a statement to the form signed by their physician stating that in the physician's opinion, such immunization is medically contraindicated and why it is contraindicated (ex. hypersensitivity to a vaccine component, demonstrated reaction to vaccine etc.) In addition, the student should complete the following statement and return it to the PRCC Office of Health Services.

*I am submitting the **enclosed documentation** from a physician that immunization is medically contraindicated. Therefore, I am exempt from receiving the required immunization as specified by the physician, and shall be permitted to attend college except in the case of a vaccine-preventable disease outbreak in the school.*

Student Name _____ Student Signature _____

RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION

Students with religious exemptions shall be permitted to attend college except in the case of a vaccine-preventable disease outbreak in the college. All susceptible students will be excluded from college based on public health officials' determination that the college is a primary site for disease exposure, transmission and spread into the community. Students excluded from college for this reason will not be able to return to school until:

1. the danger of the outbreak has passed as determined by public health officials
2. the student becomes ill with the disease and completely recovers, or
3. the student is immunized.

For example, for measles, the complete incubation period is 18 days from the onset of symptoms for the last case in the community. Outbreaks like measles may last for several months.

Students seeking an exemption on the basis that immunizations would be contrary to their religious beliefs should complete the following statement and return it to the Office of Health Services.

I hereby assert that immunizations would be contrary to my religious beliefs. Therefore, I am exempt from receiving the required immunization and shall be permitted to attend college except in the case of a vaccine-preventable disease outbreak in the school.

Student Name _____ Student Signature _____