



# When to Exclude

## If a Child is Behind on Immunizations



Per NYS Public Health Law Section #2164, the school principal or person in charge is required to exclude (not permit the child to attend school) until the student receives the required immunizations, if they are not considered “in process”.

### Students who should be excluded include:

- Any student who lacks an immunization record unless he / she has a valid medical exemption.
- Any student who fails to provide the school with proof of immunity within 14 days of school entry. The 14 days may be extended to 30 days for a student transferring from out-of-state or from another country.
- Any student who has exceeded the 14 or 30 day grace period and who is not considered “in process” of completing immunizations.
- Any student who is obtaining serologic testing and has not provided test results or an appointment date to begin or complete the vaccine series within 30 days.

### What does “in process” mean?

“In process” is defined as a child that has received at least the first dose of each required vaccine series and has age-appropriate appointments to complete the series according to the ACIP catch-up schedule. Children following “alternative” immunization schedules are no longer considered “in process”.

## Questions?

Contact the Onondaga County Immunization Program at

**315-435-2000**



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