



CHANDLER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 80

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Camille Casteel, Ed.D., Superintendent

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

The Chandler Unified School District is providing this letter to inform families of specific changes with immunization procedures that will take effect October 1, 2012. The Federal vaccine budget has been significantly reduced and therefore, specific policy changes will take effect on all nationwide vaccine programs.

Effective October 1, 2012:

The Chandler Unified School District will no longer provide immunizations to **PRIVATELY INSURED** children. Insured children will have to receive immunizations directly from their primary physicians. The definition of privately insured is as follows: Anyone with insurance that covers the cost of vaccines, even if the insurance includes a deductible or co-pay.

The Chandler Unified School District will continue to vaccinate any child up to age 18 (eighteen) if the child qualifies with any of the below statements:

1. Child or family has no health insurance
2. Child qualifies for the AHCCCS plan
3. Child qualifies for Kids Care
4. Child is Native American and eligible for Indian Health Services

Effective March 2013 (anticipated start date is March 1, 2013):

The Chandler Unified School District will no longer provide immunizations to **UNDERINSURED** children. The definition of underinsured is as follows: A person who has health insurance, but the coverage does not include vaccines or a person whose insurance covers only selected vaccines.

If you have further questions, please contact the Arizona Department of Health Services at (602) 364-3642 or your CUSD District Nurse at www.mychandlerchools.org/healthservices.

Thank you,

CUSD District Nurses