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Kimberton Waldorf School follows Pennsylvania state law.

Kimberton Waldorf School follows the Pennsylvania Code, Disease Prevention and Control Law Subchapter C. Immunization. (<http://www.pacode.com/secure/data/028/chapter23/subchapCtoc.html>)

This law mandates that all students be immunized before attending school. It also requires that schools submit immunization records to the state for tracking.

Kimberton Waldorf School promptly and diligently complies with all Pennsylvania State Code regarding record keeping of immunizations of school children, and is in compliance with yearly state auditing of immunization records and the reporting of such via Owen J. Roberts School District, the school district in which Kimberton Waldorf School is located.

The state also provides an opportunity for parents to control the immunization schedule and regime for their individual child, through the Pennsylvania Code, Disease and Control Law Subchapter C. Immunization, Section 23.84 which states:

*Exemption from immunization.*

(a) *Medical exemption.* Children need not be immunized if a physician or the physician's designee provides a written statement that immunization may be detrimental to the health of the child. When the physician determines that immunization is no longer detrimental to the health of the child, the child shall be immunized according to this subchapter.

(b) *Religious exemption.* Children need not be immunized if the parent, guardian or emancipated child objects in writing to the immunization on religious grounds or on the basis of a strong moral or ethical conviction similar to a religious belief.

Kimberton Waldorf School abides by state requirements as they pertain to immunization.

Kimberton Waldorf School does all it can to ensure the safety and health of the children in our school. This includes informing parents of state requirements for immunization. However, our task is the education of the children entrusted to us for that purpose and we make no claim to being qualified in the realm of medicine. We encourage all parents to consult with their physician regarding immunization.

As it is state law that controls and governs immunization of school-age children and rights of parents in immunizing their children we recommend that further questions be addressed to the state as noted in Subchapter C:

"Questions concerning this subchapter should be addressed to the Immunization Program, Bureau of Communicable Diseases, 625 Forester St., Room 1026, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120, [\(717\) 787-5681](tel:7177875681)."