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Immunisation Requirements and Enrolling in the Kindy 4/5* Program

Legislation concerning a child's immunisation status applies for non-compulsory school age* children -**PK** & **K** (Pre Kindy & Kindy) when they are enrolling in kindergarten and child care services.
To enrol a child in Kindy 4/5* parents and guardians must do one of the following:

1. Provide an Australian Immunisation Register (AIR) Immunisation History Statement, no more than two months old, with a status of **Up to Date**; or
2. Provide an AIR Immunisation History Form, no more than six months old, if the child is on a catch up schedule; or
3. Provide a valid immunisation certificate issued or declared by the Chief Health Officer; or
4. Seek an exemption by request to the Registrar who successfully submits an Exemption Eligibility Form to the Chief Medical Officer.

In line with this new legislation, Yallingup Steiner School will not be offering interviews for enrolment in Kindy 4/5 unless one of the above four conditions are met.

EXEMPTIONS:

The school has been informed there are limited exemptions and these are listed below. The Exemption Eligibility Form can be used in order to satisfy the Principal that a child is exempt and is permitted to enrol.

A child can be declared exempt if the child:

- is an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.
- is in the care of the CEO of the Department of Communities
- is living in crisis or emergency accommodation because of family violence or a risk of family violence, or homelessness.
- has been evacuated from their ordinary place of residence because it is in an area of the State to which a declaration made under the Emergency Management Act 2005, section 56 applies.
- is in the care of an adult, other than the child's parent or guardian, because of exceptional circumstances.
- Is in the care of a responsible person who holds a valid
- health care card
- pensioner concession card
- Veterans Affairs white card
- Veterans Affairs gold card
- First entered Australia not more than 6 months before the time of enrolment and holds or parent holds, one of the following visa subclasses: 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 785, 790, or 866.

Parents can find out more at www.healthywa.wa.gov.au

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The Registrar oversees the enrolment processes at YSS and is the contact person for all enrolment queries and requests for exemptions. If you have a query, please contact: Jane Huxley registrar@yss.wa.edu.au

*School Age Requirements: PK- K- PP

At Yallingup Steiner School we use the calendar year to determine entry level. For example, a child turning 4 during the year January – December will enter Kindergarten 4 and a child turning 5 during the year attends Kindergarten 5.
Where the child's birthday falls in the year, will determine what their 'year level' will be and depending on the child's 'year level', determines if they are required to meet the immunisation requirements.

K4 for those children turning 4 after June 30th will be year level **PK** (Pre -Kindy)

K4 for those children turning 4 before June 30th will be year level **K** (Kindy)

K5 for those children turning 5 after 30th June will be year level **K** (Kindy)

K5 for those children turning 5 before 30th June will be year level **PP** (Pre -Primary)

Children in year levels PK & K are deemed to be of 'non-compulsory school age' and are required to meet the immunisation requirements.
Children in year level PP are of compulsory school age and therefore can be enrolled in the K5 programme without meeting the Immunisation requirements.

Examples of the various documents to be provided including the Exemption Eligibility Form:

Example AIR Immunisation History Statement – up to date

Australian Government
Department of Human Services
medicare

Immunisation history statement

As at:	11 July 2019
For:	BERNARD O LONG
Date of birth:	16 January 2016
Immunisation status:	up to date

Child is up to date. Child meets immunisation requirements for enrolment and **can** be enrolled.

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Example AIR Immunisation History Statement – not up to date

Australian Government

Department of Human Services

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Immunisation history statement

As at:	11 July 2019
For:	RUTH J KARPENKO
Date of birth:	01 January 2016
Immunisation status:	not up to date

Child is not up to date.

	Other (specify)								
18 months	Varilrix	☐	Varivax	☐					
	Priorix-Tetra	☐	ProQuad	☐					
	Tripacel	☐	Infanrix	☐					
	ActHIB	☐	Comvax	☐	Hiberix	☐	PedvaxHIB	☐	
	Other (specify)								
4 years	Infanrix	☐	Infanrix IPV	☐	Quadracel	☐	Tripacel	☐	
	IPOL	☐	Oral Polio	☐					
	M-M-R II	☐	Priorix	☐					
	Other (specify)								
	Other (specify)								
Planned catch up for overdue vaccines	If you have organised to commence the individual on a catch up schedule for any overdue vaccines you were unable to administer today, tick this box. A follow up is required to make sure they return for the planned vaccination as only one catch up schedule can ever be recorded per individual. This section may be used to support testing of natural immunity or when ordering in additional required vaccines. You should not tick the box if: • you have vaccinated the individual and they are no longer overdue for any vaccines, or • you feel the parent/guardian does not intend to vaccinate the individual.								

Immunisation providers must check this box to verify that the child has commenced on a catch-up schedule for overdue vaccines.

Part C – Vaccination provider's details and declaration

Note: A recognised vaccination provider must complete and sign this section (e.g. GP, Council, etc.).

Medicare provider/ AIR registration number ☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐ Provider name

I certify that the information provided on this form is true and correct and that I have obtained proof of the vaccination(s) given.
Giving false or misleading information is a serious offence.

Provider's signature Date / /

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Exemption Eligibility Form (family circumstances)

Name of child:	**Date of birth:**
Enrolment type (circle): child care / pre-kindergarten / kindergarten	**Date:**

Questions and suggested supporting evidence	**Yes**	**No**
Is your child Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander? *Verbal response.*		
Is the child in the care of the CEO of the Department of Communities? *Documentation e.g. child protection order, s.35 warrant (provisional protection and care) issued by a magistrate, letter from Department of Communities advising child is under provisional protection and care under s.37.*		
Are you and your child living in crisis or emergency accommodation due to family violence, risk of family violence or homelessness? *Documentation confirming this from the Department of Communities, Housing Authority or a relevant not for profit service.*		
Are you and your child currently evacuated from your home due to an emergency such as a flood or bushfire? *Verbal response or documentation confirming state of emergency in the child's residential area.*		
Is your child in the care of an adult who is not the child's parent or guardian due to exceptional circumstances such as parental illness or incapacity? *Documentation confirming this arrangement e.g. letter from the parent/guardian's medical practitioner, social worker or another third party who has regular interactions with the family and can independently verify the family's circumstances.*		
Do you hold a health care card? *Sight a copy of the card.*		
Do you hold a pensioner concession card? *Sight a copy of the card.*		
Do you hold a Veterans' Affairs White or Gold card? *Sight a copy of the card.*		
Have you or your child arrived in Australia less than 6 months before the time of enrolment and hold a refugee or humanitarian visa? *Sight the relevant refugee, humanitarian or protection visa held by the child or parent, or other documentation from the Department of Home Affairs or the WA Humanitarian Entrant Health Service. Acceptable visas only: 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 785, 790, and 866.*		

I understand that my child will be reported to the Chief Health Officer, and I will be contacted about their overdue vaccinations.

Name of parent/guardian: **Signature:**

Assessment and reporting	**Yes**	**No**
Is the child eligible for enrolment as an exempt child?		

If yes, the date the exempt child will first attend the child care service or kindergarten:

I note that this exempt child needs to be reported to the Chief Health Officer.
See *WA Immunisation Requirements – Guidelines*, Section 4: Report under-vaccinated children.

Name of person in charge: **Signature:**

If used, a copy of this completed form should be kept with the child's enrolment records.