## **Immunizations or Statement of Vaccine Exemptions**

Colorado's Immunization Law (C.R.S. 25-4-902) requires schools to review and collect up-to-date immunization records for every student enrolled. Immunization records should be provided to the school at the time of school entry, and parents have 14 days to bring their child into compliance. To be compliant, a student must be up-to-date with their immunizations, be in the process with a plan to become up-to-date or have an exemption on file at the school.

Parents have the right to exempt their child from the school immunization requirements according to C.R.S. 25-4-903. Parents need to submit to the school a statement of personal or religious exemption annually. Either the use of the official certificate of immunization which can be accessed from the state website by clicking <a href="https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/immunization-forms">www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/immunization-forms</a>, or ask your child's medical provider to provide this form for you. Medical and non-medical exemption forms can be found by clicking: <a href="https://www.colorado.gov/vaccineexemption">www.colorado.gov/vaccineexemption</a> or a parental statement is acceptable.

If parents choose to exempt their child, the Norwood School District encourages using the non-medical form when possible, however, parents/guardians and students 18 and over may submit a signed non-medical statement of exemption every year. The statement must include the following information:

Students full name, date of birth, list each vaccine declined, the date the vaccines declined, and if it is personal belief or religious and signature of parent / guardian or student 18 or over.

Medical exemption must be signed by a licensed healthcare provider and only needs to be submitted once. For further information on exemptions, refer to the state vaccine exemptions site.