

**Hamilton Wenham Regional High School  
Health Office**

**High School Immunizations:** The Massachusetts Department of Public Health requires that all students attending school must be immunized. Please refer to [Massachusetts School Immunization Requirements](#).

The failure to meet immunization requirements can result in a student's exclusion from school until the requirements are met.

\*\*The only immunization exceptions are as follows per the Massachusetts Department of Public Health:

1) a medical exemption is allowed if a physician submits documentation attesting that an immunization is medically contraindicated.

2) a religious exemption is allowed if a parent or guardian submits a written statement that immunizations conflict with their sincere religious beliefs.

\*\*The law states that medical exemptions must be presented at the beginning of each school year. MDPH recommends also requesting religious exemptions on an annual basis, in writing, at the beginning of each school year. Philosophical exemptions are not allowed by law in Massachusetts, even if signed by a physician.