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#### 5005-B Vaccination and Extracurriculars Policy

In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, the School Committee recognizes the resulting disruption of the traditional school day and year; growing concerns of students, families and the community; and the increasing number of issues that will affect public education.

Therefore, the School Committee establishes an interim policy for the duration of the COVID-19 pandemic that will promote public safety and the safety of students, faculty, and staff;

For the 2021-2022 school year, vaccination against SARS-CoV-2 is required for all age-eligible students to participate in school-sponsored sports and rostered extracurricular activities that occur outside of the school day.

#### Age-eligible students

Students who participate in school-sponsored sports and/or rostered extracurriculars that occur outside of the school day are required to be vaccinated except in those exceptional circumstances (e.g. medical or religious exemptions) where weekly COVID-19 testing will be required.

Students who are awaiting vaccination are required to participate in state-sponsored testing through Belmont Public Schools or submit evidence of a negative COVID-19 test on a weekly basis.

#### Age-ineligible students

Students are required to participate in state-sponsored testing through Belmont Public Schools. Students who will become vaccine-eligible during the sports and/or rostered extracurricular season in question must provide proof of vaccination within six weeks of becoming eligible.

This policy will remain in place until rescinded by the School Committee.