

State of Texas SB 62

Bacterial Meningitis Required Vaccination Prior to Enrollment

Stephen F. Austin State University

All new students and re-entry students must provide either:

1. Evidence the student has received the vaccination or booster dose during the five years preceding and at least 10 days prior to enrollment. This evidence must be submitted in one of the following three formats:

- A document bearing the signature or stamp of the physician or his/her designee, or public health personnel (must include the month, day, and year the vaccination was administered). **OR**
- An official immunization record generated from a state or local health authority (must include the month, day, and year the vaccination was administered). **OR**
- An official record received from school officials, including a record from another state (must include the month, day, and year the vaccination was administered).

OR

2. Evidence the student is declining the vaccination must be submitted in one of the following two formats:

- An affidavit or a certificate signed by a physician who is duly registered and licensed to practice medicine in the United States, in which it is stated that, in the physician's opinion, the vaccination required would be injurious to the health and well-being of the student. **OR**
- An affidavit signed by the student stating that the student declines the vaccination for bacterial meningitis for reasons of conscience, including a religious belief. A conscientious exemption form from the Texas Department of State Health Services must be used. (This may take up to 30 days.) <https://webds.dshs.state.tx.us/immco/default.aspx>

3. A student is not required to submit evidence of receiving the vaccination against bacterial meningitis or evidence of receiving a booster dose:

- If the student will be 22 years of age or older by the start of the semester you are applying for **OR**
- If the student is enrolled in on-line or other distance education courses only.

Vaccinations may be available at a discounted price at the following locations:

**The Health Clinic
SFASU**
2106 Raguet St
Nacogdoches, TX 75962
(936) 468-4008

**Arlington Public Health
Center**
536 W. Randol Mill Road
Arlington, TX 76011
(817) 548-3990

**Dallas County HHS
Immunization Clinic**
2377 N. Stemmons FWY,
Rm 159
Dallas, TX 75207
(214) 819-2163

**Angelina County Health
District**
503 Hill St.
Lufkin, TX 75904
(936) 632-1139

**Houston HCPHES Antoine
Health Clinic**
5815 Antoine, Suite A
Houston, TX 77091
(713) 602-3300

**HCPHES Humble Health
Clinic**
1730 Humble Place Drive
Humble, TX 77338
(281) 446-4222

Austin - ST. John
7500 Blessing Ave
Austin, TX 78752
(512) 972-5520

**North East Texas Public
Health District**
815 N. Broadway
Tyler, TX 75702
(903) 510-5604

Call for information on costs and required documentation. Must call for appointment.