

Health Record Requirements for Returning International Students and those Students that Travel Internationally

In accordance with the State of Illinois, The Center for Disease Control (CDC), and the Will County Health Department, Joliet Catholic Academy requires the following document to be on file **PRIOR TO**THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL EVERY YEAR for all returning international students and for those students who have traveled for greater than 2 weeks to a country where TB is common.

1. Interferon-gamma release assay (IGRA). In accordance with the CDC guidelines, those students coming from or traveling to or a country where TB disease is common (most countries in Latin America, the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, and Russia) are required to have an Interferon-gamma release assay (IGRA) either QuantiFERON®—TB Gold In-Tube test (QFT-GIT) or T-SPOT®.TB test (T-Spot) completed in the United States within 10 days prior to the first day of school and annually BEFORE the start of each new school year. In addition, any student traveling for more than 2 weeks to an area of high TB risk, as defined by the CDC, will be required to submit a repeated IGRA prior to returning to Joliet Catholic Academy. All results are to submitted and reviewed before the first day of school.

https://www.cdc.gov/tb/topic/testing/whobetested.htm

The above document may be mailed or FAX directly to the Nurse's office at 815-741-3015

In accordance with the State of Illinois it is the policy of Joliet Catholic Academy to exclude those students from attendance who do not comply with this request for records. Students who are not in compliance with health record requirements will be contacted and will be excluded from attending classes and all school activities, including athletics, starting October 15 until compliance is met.

Maintenance of good health has a great influence on one's ability to carry on with school responsibilities. Physical irregularities may require special planning, therefore, school personnel must be made aware of each student's state of health in order to plan the most appropriate educational schedule. If you have any further questions regarding current physicals or immunizations, please contact the JCA Health Office:

Jill Batusich, RN Barb Huey, RN Health Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 8:00am-2:30pm Thursday 8:00am -1:40pm During school breaks voicemails and emails are checked weekly.