

# Whooping Cough Outbreak at Massachusetts High School Affected Only Vaccinated Students

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Unvaccinated children are supposedly the cause, according to state health officials, of a recent whooping cough outbreak that occurred in the posh Cape Cod area of Massachusetts. But as reported by *CBS Boston*, all of the children affected by the outbreak were already vaccinated, proving once again that vaccines don't really work.

Some 15 children at Falmouth High School reportedly came down with the respiratory illness, which also goes by the name pertussis, sparking a wave of panic about a corresponding increase in vaccine exemptions. But as usual, nobody affected by the outbreak was unvaccinated, and no matter how hard the media tries to spin the issue, those who were vaccinated were not protected.

## Mainstream media clouds issue of vaccinations and exemptions

Reporting for *CBS Boston*, I-Team correspondent Lauren Leamanczyk towed the pro-vaccine line with accusations that vaccine exemptions triggered the outbreak. Undisclosed data she apparently found reveals that vaccine exemptions have increased fourfold over the past 25 years, which public health officials say increases the risk of an outbreak.

This supposed correlation proves nothing, of course, as correlation does not imply causation. But when vaccines are involved, any deviation from the standard vaccine protocol, which is basically to take whatever the government says is good for you, becomes the automatic scapegoat when an outbreak occurs.

In her story, Leamanczyk quotes the words of Dr. Sharon Daly, Chief of Pediatrics at Cape Cod Hospital, who declares that outbreaks increase when vaccination rates decrease. The implication, naturally, is that the Falmouth outbreak was triggered by unvaccinated children.

But a few paragraphs later, Leamanczyk fesses up to the fact that all of the affected children who developed [whooping cough](#) had previously been vaccinated for it. Based on this fact alone, it is clear that whooping cough vaccines don't work, as every child who had been vaccinated should have been protected.

Even if some of the unvaccinated children at the school acted as "carriers" for the disease, a claim often made by pro-vaccine zealots, this only further reinforces that whooping [cough](#) vaccines are a failure. If unvaccinated children don't contract whooping cough while vaccinated children do, then there is no rational basis for continuing the vaccine program.

## **Massachusetts doesn't allow for philosophical [exemptions](#), as claimed by Leamanczyk**

Another failure in Leamanczyk's article involves the type of exemptions supposedly responsible for the outbreak. She suggests that the rise in philosophical exemptions is the culprit, but Massachusetts doesn't even allow for philosophical exemptions: only religious and medical exemptions are permitted in the Bay State!

This might seem like a minor discrepancy, but it is the basis of Leamanczyk and the health department's argument that exemptions are the cause of the [outbreak](#). Perhaps she meant to say medical or religious exemptions, but this major factual error calls into question the entire premise of the article, which nonsensically blames unvaccinated children for spreading disease to vaccinated children.

Vaccines either work or they don't. Period. Blaming unvaccinated individuals for spreading disease to vaccinated individuals makes no sense, and only further exposes the [vaccine](#) agenda for what it is: a complete myth.

### **Whooping cough vaccines making disease more virulent**

If anything, vaccinated individuals are actually the ones responsible for spreading disease. In the case of whooping cough, a study out of the Netherlands found that whooping cough has mutated genetically and become more virulent as a result of whooping cough vaccines, which would explain why outbreaks are escalating.

Another study published in the journal *Infection Control Today* admits that the vaccine strategy "[has] not completely eradicated strains of the bacteria," but rather led to "an increase in diversity," meaning deadlier strains that are more virulent and perhaps more contagious.

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