

Health Examinations

The Governing Board recognizes that periodic health examinations of students may lead to early detection and treatment of conditions that impact learning. Health examinations also may help in determining whether special adaptations of the school program are necessary.

The Superintendent or designee shall verify that students have complied with legal requirements for a comprehensive health screening and immunizations at school entry. In addition to verifying that students have complied with legal requirements for health examinations and immunizations before enrolling in school, the district shall administer tests for vision, hearing and scoliosis as required by law.

The principal of each school shall notify parents/guardians of the rights of students and parents/guardians relating to health examinations.

A parent/guardian may annually file a statement with the principal withholding consent to any physical examination of his/her child. The statement may specify that examination is contrary to their religious beliefs. The child shall be exempt, but shall be subject to exclusion due to a suspected contagious or infectious disease. (Education Code 49451 and 49455)

(cf. 5141.22 - Infectious Diseases)

(cf. 5141.31 - Immunizations)

(cf. 5141.32 – Kindergarten First Grade Child Health and Disability Prevention Program (CHDP))

(cf. 5141.6 – School-Based Health and Social Services)

All students (grades 9-12) who participate as pep and cheerleaders or athletes in organized interscholastic sports shall first undergo and file with the district a current pre-participation health screening by a physician, nurse practitioner or physician's assistant, supervised by a physician. Upon sustaining an injury or serious illness, a student may be required to have another examination before participating further. (Senate Bill 1069)

This requirement does not apply to participants in occasional play day or field day activities. (California Interscholastic Federation constitution bylaw 308)

(cf. 5143 - Insurance)

(cf. 6145.2 - Interscholastic Competition)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that staff employed to examine students exercise proper care of each student and that examination results are kept confidential. Records related to these examinations shall be maintained and released only in accordance with law.

(cf. 5125 – Student Records)

The Superintendent or designee shall develop the necessary procedures to implement this policy.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

44871-44879 Employment qualifications

48980 Parental notifications

49400-49414.5 Student health, general powers-school boards (re pupil health)

49422 Supervision of health and physical development

49450- 49458 Physical examinations (of pupils)

49460-49466 Development of standardized health assessments

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

120325-120380 Immunization against communicable diseases

121475-121520 Tuberculosis tests for pupils

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

590-596 Vision screening

3027 Hearing and vision screening for special education

3028 Audiological screening

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1232g Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

1232h Protection of student rights

WEB SITES

California Department of Education, Health Services/School Nursing:

<http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/he/hn>

California Department of Education, Type 2 Diabetes Information:

<http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/he/hn/type2diabetes.asp>

U.S. Department of Education: <http://www.ed.gov>

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