

Students

HEALTH EXAMINATIONS

The Board of Trustees recognizes that periodic health examinations of students may lead to early detection and treatment of conditions that impact learning. Health examination 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, an oral health assessment, and immunizations at school entry. In addition, the district shall administer tests for vision, hearing, and scoliosis as required by law.

All students who participate as cheerleaders, song leaders, or athletes in organized competitive sports shall first undergo a medical examination and support documentations of medical clearance to the district. Upon sustaining an injury or serious illness, a student may be required to have another examination before participating further. This requirement does not apply to participants in occasional play day or field day activities.

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 available only in accordance with law.

Reports to the Board regarding the number of students found to have physical problems and the effort made to correct them shall in no way reveal the identity of students.

- (cf. 5141.26 - Tuberculosis Testing)
- (cf. 5141.31 - Immunizations)
- (cf. 5141.32 - Health Screening for School Entry)
- (cf. 5141.6 - School Health Services)
- (cf. 5143 - Insurance)
- (cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)
- (cf. 5125 - Student Records)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

- 44871-44879 Employment qualifications
- 48980 Parental notifications
- 49400-49414.5 Student health, general powers of school boards
- 49422 Supervision of health and physical development
- 49450-49458 Physical examinations (of students)
- 49460-49466 Development of standardized health assessments

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

- 120325-120380 Immunization against communicable diseases

HEALTH EXAMINATIONS (continued)

121475-121520 Tuberculosis tests for students
124025-124110 Child Health and Disability Prevention Program

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

Management Resources:

CSBA PUBLICATIONS

Expanding Access to School Health Services: Policy Considerations for Governing Boards, November 2008

Promoting Oral Health for California's Students: New Roles, New Opportunities for Schools, November 2008

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Standards for Scoliosis Screening in California Public Schools, 2007

A Guide for Vision Testing in California Public Schools, 2005

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Joint Guidance on the Application of FERPA and HIPAA to Student Health Records, November 2008

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

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>