

STUDENT HEALTH EXAMINATIONS

I. Physical Examinations or Screenings Permitted or Required By State Law

- A. The Waterville Central School District (the District) will require each child enrolled in public school to have a satisfactory health examination either by the family physician of the child or by the school physician upon entrance into school and at other times as required by law. The examination shall not have been given more than twelve months prior to the commencement of the school year in which the examination was required. The District also may require additional health examinations as permitted by applicable law.
- B. Required health examinations will be at no cost to the examined student's parent or guardian if performed by the school physician as part of the District's health service program.
- C. If a student uses a family physician to perform a health examination that is required by the District, the student (and/or the student's parent) must provide the District with a health certificate that meets the standards of the Commissioner's Regulations. If no such certificate is provided, the District will send a certified letter to the student's parent stating that, if the health certificate is not furnished within thirty days of the notice, the student will be examined through the school health service program.

II. Parental Involvement

The District will notify parents of the adoption or continued use of this policy at least annually, at the beginning of the school year, and within a reasonable period of time after any substantive change in this policy.

III. Athletic Examinations

The District Medical Director or by a duly licensed physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner.

- B. Health examination must be completed according to timelines and standards of the New York State Public High School Athletic Association.

IV. Procedures and Medical Examination Requirements for Student Working Papers

- A. The physical examination for employment certification must be given by a duly licensed physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner.

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- B. The annual physical examination by the district or private physician and the physical examinations for participation in interscholastic athletic competition may be used for employment certification, provided the examination was administered within the previous twelve (12) months.
 - C. The physical examination must state that the student is healthy, and there are no known health problems at the time of application, and that the applicant is physically qualified for lawful employment.
- V. Accommodation for Religious Beliefs

No health examination, health history, examinations for health appraisal, screening examinations for sickle cell anemia and /or other health screenings shall be required where a student or the parent or person in parental relation to such student objects thereto on the grounds that such examinations, health history and/or screenings conflict with their genuine and sincere religious beliefs. A written and signed statement from the student or the student's parent or person in parental relation that such person holds such beliefs shall be submitted to the Principal or Principal's designee, in which case the Principal or Principal's designee may require supporting documents.

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