

<i>Policy</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Code</i>
	PHYSICAL EXAMINATION OF STUDENTS	JLCA

HOLLISTON

Every student will be examined for screening in sight, hearing, Body Mass Index (BMI)*, and for other physical problems as provided by the Department of Public Health. A record of the results will be kept by the school nurse.

Every student will provide evidence of or will be given a general physical examination four times: upon entering school and upon admittance to the fourth, seventh, and tenth grades. The results of examinations will be a basis for determining what corrective measures or modifications of school activities, if any, should be recommended. A record of all examinations and recommendations will be kept in each school's health office. Every candidate for a school athletic team will present the signed consent of their parent or guardian to participate on a squad and will, with the signed consent of parent or guardian, be thoroughly examined to determine physical fitness by a physician, and will provide a copy of an annual physical or sports physical.

Whenever the school nurse finds a child suffering from any medical problem, the situation will be reported to the parent or guardian by phone, or in writing, at the nurse's discretion. A copy of the report will be filed at the school.

The school nurse will make a monthly report to the state, and available to the Superintendent, of the number of students examined; the number excluded; and the number recommended for treatment or special adjustment of work. In all cases of exclusion or recommendation, the causes will be included in the report.

** NOTE: Department of Health Regulations call for vision screenings in Grades 1-5, once between 6-8, and once between 9-12; hearing screenings in grades 1-3, once between 6-8, and once between 9-12; BMI in grades 1, 4, 7, 10.*

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