

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: HEALTH EXAMINATIONS

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209. HEALTH EXAMINATIONS	
<p>1. Authority SC 1401, 1402, 1403 Title 22 Sec.12.41</p>	<p>In compliance with the School Code, the Board shall require that district students submit to health and dental examinations in order to protect the school community from the spread of communicable disease, to ensure that the student's participation in health, safety and physical education courses meets his/her individual needs, and to ensure that the learning potential of each student is not lessened by a remediable physical disability.</p>
<p>2. Guidelines SC 1402, 1407 Title 22 Sec. 12.41</p>	<p>Each student shall receive a comprehensive medical examination upon original entry into school in Pennsylvania, while in sixth grade, and while in eleventh grade. These examinations will be conducted by the designated school physician, except as may be otherwise provided for herein. Every school physician shall be assisted by a school nurse who shall be present during each examination.</p>
<p>SC 1403, 1407 Title 22 Sec. 12.41</p>	<p>The school district shall provide a program of dental hygiene services for children of school age. This program shall be approved by the Secretary of Health or designee. Dental screenings will be conducted by the school dental hygienist for students upon original entry in kindergarten or grade one, in grade three, in grade seven, and for new students in the district whose health records do not contain an adequate dental record. Fifth grade students, who have appropriate parent/guardian permission on file, may receive dental screenings at times as a follow-up to the dental program.</p>
<p>SC 1407</p>	<p>In lieu of the medical examinations and/or dental screenings and/or evaluations required as set forth above, any child of school age, or his/her parent/guardian, may furnish a medical or dental report examination made at the expense of the child/parent/guardian by a licensed physician or licensed dentist, and which report shall be on a form approved by the Secretary of Health and provided by the school district for this purpose. The in-lieu examinations shall be made and the report shall be furnished prior to the date fixed for the regularly scheduled examination or screening, but no earlier than twelve (12) months prior to the student's entry into the grade in which the regular examination or screening is required.</p>

<p>SC1402 Title 22 Sec. 12.41</p> <p>SC 1402 Title 22 Sec. 12.41</p> <p>SC 1402 Title 22 Sec. 12.41</p> <p>SC 1402 Title 22 Sec. 12.41</p> <p>SC 1409 Pol. 216</p> <p>SC 1419 Title 28 Sec. 23.45</p> <p>SC 1402, 1406 Title 22 Sec. 12.41</p>	<p><u>Parents/guardians have until November 1 of the applicable school year to provide a private dental report as set forth above. If a private dental report is not received by November 1, the parent/guardian will be notified in writing that their child will be scheduled to receive a dental screening at school at no cost to the parent(s).</u></p> <p>Each student will be given a vision test and will be measured for height and weight upon original entry into school and annually through grade twelve (12). Each student shall be measured, weighed and vision tested. Height and weight measurements shall be used to calculate the student's weight-for-height ratio.</p> <p>Each student shall be tested for tuberculosis upon original entry into school and in grade nine (9); exceptions will be made if a waiver is granted by the Pennsylvania Department of Health.</p> <p>Each student will receive a hearing screening upon original entry into school and in grades one (1), two (2), three (3), seven (7) and eleven (11). Children in special ungraded classes will be given a hearing screening yearly.</p> <p>School district nurses shall conduct scoliosis screenings for students in grades six (6) and seven (7) and for those children who are eleven (11) and twelve (12) years of age and are in special ungraded classes.</p> <p>The individual records of health examinations shall be maintained as a confidential record, subject to statute and Board policy.</p> <p>A student who presents a statement signed by the parent or guardian that a medical examination is contrary to his/her religious beliefs shall be examined only when the Secretary of Health determines that the student presents a substantial menace to the health of others.</p> <p>Teachers shall report to the school nurse or school physician any unusual behavior, changes in physical appearance, changes in attendance habits and changes in scholastic achievement or suspected deviations from normal growth and development, which may indicate impairment of a child's health and, in such case, as well as in the case involving school examinations, reveal conditions requiring health or dental care, the school nurse or school physician or dental hygienist shall, upon referral by the teacher or on his/her own initiative, advise a child's parent/guardian of the apparent need for a medical or dental consultation and/or examination. If a parent/guardian fails to report the results to the nurse or school physician, the nurse or school physician shall attempt to arrange a special medical examination for the child.</p> <p>Recommendations as to medical, surgical or dental care shall be sent to each parent/guardian and to the family physician or family dentist on appropriate forms with instruction to the parent/guardian to consult their family physician</p>
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<p>SC 1405 Title 28 Sec. 23.2 20 U.S.C. Sec. 123h</p> <p>3. Delegation of Responsibility SC 1402</p> <p>SC 1409</p> <p>SC 1406</p> <p>School Code 1402, 1403, 1405, 1406, 1407, 1409, 1419 Pa Code Title 22 Sec. 7.13 Title 28 Sec. 23.2, 23.44 Board Policy 216</p>	<p>or family dentist and to notify the school authorities of the action taken with respect to the recommendations.</p> <p>School physicians or school nurses shall inform teachers of the health conditions of students which may affect behavior, appearance or scholastic performance.</p> <p>If a parent/guardian informs school officials of financial inability to have a physician or dentist of his/her choice render recommended treatment or care, the school officials shall advise such parent/guardian of the possible availability of public assistance.</p> <p>Parents/Guardians of students who are to receive physical and dental examinations shall be notified. The notice shall include the date and location of the examination and notice that the parent/guardian may attend or may have the examination conducted privately at the parent's expense. Such statement may also include notification that the student may be exempted from such examination if it is contrary to the parent's/guardian's religious beliefs.</p> <p>Students who fail to complete and/or submit acceptable evidence of required medical examination or dental screening by <u>APRIL 30 of the current academic year</u> will be excluded from all extra-curricular activities including field-class trips beginning MAY 1 until acceptable proof of compliance is received, in writing, by the district, or until such students are exempted from such examination requirements for religious reasons by submission of an acceptable parental documented note.</p> <p>The Superintendent shall instruct all staff members to continually observe students for conditions that indicate health problems or disability and to promptly report such conditions to the school nurse.</p> <p>The Superintendent shall request an adequate health record from the transferring school for each student transferring into the school district.</p> <p>The Superintendent shall ensure that notice is provided to all parents/guardians regarding the existence of and eligibility for the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP).</p>
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