Board Policy

Code No. 507.1

STUDENT HEALTH AND IMMUNIZATION CERTIFICATES

Students desiring to participate in athletic extracurricular activities or enrolling in kindergarten (K) or first (1st) grade in the District shall have a physical examination or a physician's certificate of health by a licensed physician and provide proof of such an examination to the school district. This examination must include a dental and lead screen as required by lowa law. A physical examination and proof of such an examination may be required by the administration for students in other grades enrolling for the first time in the District.

A certificate of health stating the results of a physical examination and signed by the physician shall be on file at the attendance center. Each student shall submit an up-to-date certificate of health upon the request of the Superintendent. Failure to provide this information may be grounds for disciplinary action.

No student may be enrolled in the district without proof of immunization. Students enrolling must submit a certificate of immunizations against diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus, poliomyelitis, rubeola, rubella and any other immunizations required by the school district. Children born on or after July 1, 1994, must show proof of three doses of hepatitis B vaccine prior to enrollment. Students born after September 15, 1997, must have immunization against chicken pox after 12 month of age or a reliable history of the disease. The student may be admitted conditionally to the attendance center if the student has submitted proof of immunization and has not completed required immunizations but is in the process of doing so. Failure to meet the immunization requirement will be grounds for exclusion.

Exemptions from the immunization requirement in this policy will be allowed only for medical or religious reasons recognized under the law. The student must provide a valid lowa State Department of Health Certificate of Immunization Exemption to be exempt from this policy.

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