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PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS OF STUDENTS

- A. General. Each child must have written evidence of a complete physical examination within one year preceding first entry to school.
 - Parents of students transferring to the District must present documentation meeting the physical examination requirement prior to or upon first entry into the District's schools. Failure to comply with this provision may result in exclusion from school for the child.
- B. Conditional Enrollment. If an examination required under paragraph A above has not been performed within the preceding year, the school will accept documentation of an appointment for a physical examination within two months of enrollment.
- C. Homeless Students and Unaccompanied Youth. Pursuant to the McKinney-Vento Act and Board Policy JFABD, homeless students and/or unaccompanied youth, may enroll and attend school while the Homeless Liaison works with the family/student to obtain examinations or documentation of the same. The Conditional Enrollment provision outlined in section B will also apply to students in this section.
- D. Special Examination. Pursuant to RSA 200:34 every child with a presenting problem and whom the school nurse, deems to require further evaluation, may be referred by the school nurse, to the parents or guardian of said child for examination, and evaluation by an appropriate practitioner.
 - If the parents fail or neglect to have their child examined and fail to present the recommendations from the examiner within a reasonable period after the referral by the school, the school principal will be notified to determine what the appropriate course of action will be. In significant cases, the matter may be reported to DCYF pursuant to policy JLF, Reporting Child Abuse or Neglect.
- E. Religious Exemption. No medical examination shall be required of a child whose parent or guardian objects thereto in writing on the grounds such medical examination is contrary to his/her religious tenets and teachings.
- F. Participation on Athletic Teams. Prior to participation on a school athletic team, students must provide written documentation that they have passed a physical. Such exam must be completed at least once every school year.

Legal References:

Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment, 20 U.S.C. §1232h; 34 C.F.R. Part 98 RSA 141-C:20-c, Exemptions RSA 200:32, Physical Examination of Pupils RSA 200:34, Special Examina`tion

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RSA 200:38, Control and Prevention of Communicable Diseases: Duties of School Nurse NH Code of Administrative Rules, Section Ed. 311.03, Physical Examination of Students

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