

DELAWARE VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: HEALTH EXAMINATIONS/
SCREENINGS

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209. HEALTH EXAMINATIONS/SCREENINGS	
<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:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To protect the school community from the spread of communicable disease. 2. To ensure that the student's participation in health, safety and physical education courses meets his/her individual needs. 3. To ensure that the learning potential of each student is not lessened by a remediable physical disability.
<p>2. Guidelines SC 1402, 1407 Title 22 Sec. 12.41</p>	<p>Each student shall receive a comprehensive health examination upon original entry, in sixth grade, and in tenth grade, conducted by the school physician. Every school physician shall be assisted by a certified school nurse who shall be present during each examination. School physicals may only be performed by M.D., D.O., Nurse Practitioner or Physicians Assistant.</p>
<p>SC 1403, 1407 Title 22 Sec. 12.41 SC 1407</p>	<p>Each student shall receive a comprehensive dental examination upon original entry, in third grade, and in seventh grade, conducted by the school dentist.</p> <p>A private health and/or dental examination conducted at the parents'/ guardians' request and expense will be accepted in lieu of the school examination.</p> <p>The district will accept reports of privately conducted physical and dental examinations completed within one (1) year prior to a student's entry into the grade where an exam is required.</p>
<p>SC 1402 Title 22 Sec. 12.41</p>	<p>Each student shall receive, from the school nurse or medical technician, vision tests, hearing tests, height and weight measurements, and other tests deemed advisable, at intervals established by the district. Height and weight measurements shall be used to calculate the student's weight-for-height BMI percentile.</p>

	<p>School district nurses shall conduct scoliosis screenings for students in sixth and seventh grades and for those children who are eleven (11) and twelve (12) years if the screening has not been done during a regular physical exam.</p>
<p>SC 1402</p>	<p><u>Health Records</u></p> <p>The district shall maintain for each student a comprehensive health record which includes a record of immunizations and the result of tests, measurements, regularly scheduled examinations and special examinations.</p>
<p>SC 1409 Pol. 216</p>	<p>All health records shall be confidential and shall be disclosed only when necessary for the health of the student or when requested by the parent/guardian, in accordance with law and Board policy.</p>
<p>SC 1409 Pol. 800</p>	<p>The district shall destroy student health records only after the student has not been enrolled in district schools for at least two (2) years.</p>
<p>SC 1419 Title 28 Sec. 23.45</p>	<p>A student who presents a statement signed by the parent/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>SC 1402, 1406 Title 22 Sec. 12.41</p>	<p>Where it appears to school health officials or teachers that a student deviates from normal growth and development, or where school examinations reveal conditions requiring health or dental care, the parent/guardian shall be informed; and a recommendation shall be made that the parent/guardian consult a private physician or dentist. The parent/guardian shall be required to report to the school the action taken subsequent to such notification. When the parent/guardian informs the school of financial inability to provide an examination, the school shall advise him/her of the availability of public assistance. Where no action is taken, the school may conduct further examinations.</p>
<p>SC 1405 Title 28 Sec. 23.2 20 U.S.C. Sec. 1232h</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 or screening conducted privately at the parent's/ guardian's expense. Students who fail to complete and/or submit acceptable evidence of required medical examination within an appropriate time period will not be admitted to school the following school year unless and until acceptable proof of compliance is received. Parents may also choose to have any of the mandated screenings performed by their primary care provider or provide the school with a written request for exemption due to religious beliefs.</p> <p>The administration is authorized and directed to develop appropriate procedures for</p>

<p>3. Delegation of Responsibility SC 1402</p> <p>SC 1409</p> <p>SC 1406</p>	<p>conducting the various medical and dental screenings and implementing this policy and the requirements of applicable laws and regulations regarding the provision of school health services.</p> <p>The Superintendent or designee 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 certified school nurse.</p> <p>The Superintendent or designee shall request an adequate health record from the transferring school for each student transferring into the district.</p> <p>The Superintendent or designee 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> <p>References:</p> <p>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1401-1419</p> <p>State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA code Sec. 12.41, 403.1</p> <p>State Department of Health Regulations – 28 PA Code Sec. 23.1 et seq.</p> <p>No Child Left Behind Act – 20 U.S.C. Sec. 1232h</p> <p>Board Policy – 216, 800</p>
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