Helena Public Schools

STUDENTS

Student Health/Physical Screenings/Examinations

Health services to be provided to all students may take place annually. Such services may include but are not limited to:

- 1. Development of procedures at each building for isolation and temporary care of students who become ill during the school day;
- 2. Consulting services of a qualified specialist for staff, students, and parents;
- 3. Vision and hearing screening;
- 4. Dental screening;
- 5. Immunization as provided by the Department of Public Health and Human Services.

Parents will be notified of the specific or approximate dates during the school year when standard screenings administered by the District will be conducted. Standard screenings are not necessary to protect the immediate health and safety of the student or other students and are noted in the Student / Parent Handbook. Parents will receive written notice of any screening result which indicates a condition that might interfere or tend to interfere with a student's progress. Parents or eligible students will be given the opportunity to opt out of the above-described screenings.

Physical Examinations

The District will not conduct physical examinations of a student without parental consent unless ordered by a court to do so or there is a concern for the health or safety of the student or others is in question.

Students who wish to participate in certain extracurricular activities may be required to submit to a physical examination to verify their ability to participate in the activity.

All parents will be notified of requirements of the District's policy on physical examinations and screening of students, at least annually at the beginning of the school year and within a reasonable period of time after any substantive change in the policy.

| Legal Reference: | § 20-3-324(20), MCA § 40-6-701, MCA 20 U.S.C. 1232h(b) | Powers and duties Interference with Fundamental Parental Rights Restricted – Cause of Action General Provisions Concerning Education |
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