

PINE GROVE AREA 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 students of this district submit to health and dental examinations in order to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Protect the school community from the spread of communicable disease. 2. Ensure that the student's participation in health, safety and physical education courses meets his/her individual needs. 3. Ensure that the learning potential of each child 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 eleventh grade, conducted by the school physician.</p>
<p>SC 1403, 1407 Title 22 Sec. 12.41</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>SC 1407</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 Title 28 Sec. 23.1 et seq</p>	<p>The school nurse, health room technician, RN, or medical technician shall administer to each student vision tests, hearing tests, tuberculosis tests, other tests deemed advisable, and height and weight measurements, at intervals established by the district. Height and weight measurements shall be used to calculate the student's weight-for-height ratio.</p>

<p>SC 1409 Pol. 216</p>	<p>The individual pupil records of health examinations shall be maintained as a confidential record subject to statute and Board policy.</p>
<p>SC 1419 Title 28 Sec. 23.45</p>	<p>A student who presents a statement signed by his/her 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 health menace to the health of other persons.</p>
<p>SC 1402, 1406 Title 22 Sec. 12.41</p>	<p>Where it appears to school health officials or teachers that a child deviates from normal growth and development or where school examinations reveal conditions requiring health or dental care, the parent/guardian of the child shall be so 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 parents/guardians inform the school of financial inability to provide an examination, the school shall advise them 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 children who are to receive physical and dental examinations or screenings shall be notified. The notice shall include the date and location of the examination or screening and notice that the parent/guardian may attend or may have the examination or screening conducted privately at the parent's/guardian's expense. Such statement may also include notification that the student may be exempted from such examination or screening if it is contrary to the parent's/guardian's religious beliefs.</p>
<p>3. Delegation of Responsibility SC 1402</p>	<p>The Superintendent or designee shall instruct all staff members to continually observe students for conditions that indicate physical defect or disability and to promptly report such conditions to the school nurse.</p>
<p>SC 1409</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>SC 1406</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>

References:

School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1401-1419

State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 12.41, 403.1

State Department of Health Regulations – 28 PA Code Sec. 23.1 et seq., 23.45

No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 – 20 U.S.C. Sec. 1232h

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