

STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES

Health services are an integral part of, assisting all students to increase learning, achievement, and performance. Health services coordinate and support existing programs to assist each student in the achievement of an optimal state of physical, mental, and social well being. Student health services ensure continuity and create linkages between school, home, and community service providers. The school district's needs and resources determine the linkages.

Except in emergent care situations or child abuse assessments, the district will not administer invasive physical examinations or health screenings of a student that are not required by state or federal law without first obtaining the written consent of the student's parent or guardian.

- Emergent care situation means a sudden or unforeseen occurrence of onset of a medical or behavioral condition that could result in serious injury or harm to a student or others in the event immediate medical attention is not provided. Emergent care situations include the need to screen a student or others for symptoms or exposures during an outbreak or public health event of concern as designated by the department of public health.
- Invasive physical examination means any medical examination that involves the exposure of private body parts or any act during such examination that include incision, insertion, or injection into the body, but does not include a hearing, vision, or scoliosis screening.
- Student health screening means an intentionally planned, periodic process to identify if students may be at risk for a health concern and to determine if a referral for an in-depth assessment is needed to consider appropriate health services. Student health screening does not include an episodic, individual screening done in accordance with professional licensed practice.

The superintendent, in conjunction with the school nurse, will develop administrative regulations implementing this policy. The superintendent will provide a written report on the role of health services in the education program to the board annually.

Legal Reference: 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et seq.
34 C.F.R. pt. 99, 104, 200, 300 et seq.
29 U.S.C. § 794(a)
28 C.F.R. 35
20 U.S.C. 1232g; § 1400; 6301 et seq.
Iowa Code §§ 22.7, 139A.3. .8, .21; 143.1, 152, 256.7(24), .11, 280.23
281 I.A.C. 12.3(4), (7), (11); 12.4(12); 12.8
282 I.A.C. 22.
641 I.A.C. 7.
655 I.A.C. 6

Cross Reference: 501.4 Entrance - Admissions
505.4 Testing Program
507.2 Administration of Medication to Students
507.2E1 Administration of Medication to Students – Authorization – Epinephrine, Asthma, Airway Constricting or Respiratory Distress Medication Self-Administration Consent Form
507.2E2 Administration of Medication to Students – Parental Authorization and Release Form for the Administration of Medication to Students

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