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POLICY OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Title: Health Examinations and Screenings

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PURPOSE

AUTHORITY

In compliance with the School Code, the Board shall require that SVCCS students submit to health and dental examinations in order:

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.

DEFINITIONS

DELEGATION OF RESPONSIBILITY

The Education Director 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 school nurse.

The Education Director or designee shall request an adequate health record from the transferring school for each student transferring into the district.

The Education Director 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).

GUIDELINES

Each student shall receive a comprehensive health examination upon original entry by student's physician.

Each student shall receive a comprehensive dental examination in Kindergarten and in third grade, conducted by the school dentist.

A private health and/or dental examination conducted at the parents'/guardians' request and expense will be accepted in lieu of the school examination.

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.

The school nurse shall administer to each student vision tests, hearing tests, other tests deemed advisable, and height and weight measurements, at intervals established by SVCCS. Height and weight measurements shall be used to calculate the student's weight-for-height ratio.

The individual records of health examinations shall be maintained as a confidential record, subject to statute and Board policy.

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.

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.

Parents/Guardians of students 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.

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