
Student Immunization and Life Threatening Health Conditions

Immunizations

In order to safeguard the school community from the spread of certain communicable diseases and in recognition that prevention is a means of combating the spread of disease, the board requires a student to present evidence of his/her having been immunized against diseases as required by the State Board of Health~~Board requires a student to present evidence prior to attendance that he or she has been fully immunized, has initiated and is making satisfactory progress toward a schedule of immunizations, or is exempt from one or more immunizations according to rules of the Washington State Department of Health (the "Department"). Students who fail to provide the required documentation or to maintain a schedule of immunizations will be excluded from school in accordance with state law. The district will notify the student's parents/guardians prior to excluding a student, and the district will provide a hearing process by which the parents/guardians may challenge the exclusion.~~

Exemptions from Immunization

The district will allow for exemptions from immunization requirements only as allowed for by RCW 28A.210.090.

~~The Board designates the superintendent as the "chief administrator" for district schools for purposes of administering the immunization program pursuant to RCW 28A.210.060-.170. The superintendent will develop procedures for proof of or exemption from immunization, exclusion of students, and appeals of exclusions consistent with state law.~~

Meningococcal ImmunizationsDisease Information Distribution

The district will provide parents and guardians of studentsBeginning in sixth grade and above with~~, the district will provide parents/guardians with information about meningococcal disease and its vaccine~~ at the beginning of every school year. The information will address the characteristics of the about meningococcal disease; where to find additional information about the disease; vaccinations for children; and current recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention regarding receiving the vaccine.

Human Papilloma Virus Disease Information

At the beginning of every school year, the district will provide parents and guardians of sixth through twelfth grade students, information provided by the state Department of Health about human papilloma virus (HPV) disease and its vaccine.

~~The information~~ will include theits causes and symptoms of human papilloma virus, how the meningococcal disease is spread, the places where parents and /guardians may obtain additional information and vaccinations for their children and; current recommendations from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) regarding the receipt of vaccines for Disease Control Prevention regarding the vaccine meningococcal disease, and where the vaccination can be received.

Human Papillomavirus Information Distribution

~~Beginning in sixth grade, the district will provide parents/guardians with information about human papillomavirus disease and its vaccine at the beginning of every school year. The information about human papillomavirus disease will include its causes and symptoms, how human papillomavirus disease is spread, the places where parents/guardians may obtain additional information and vaccinations for their children, current recommendations from the CDC regarding the receipt of vaccines for human papillomavirus disease, and where the vaccination can be received.~~

Life-Threatening Health Conditions

Prior to attendance at school, each child with a life-threatening health condition ~~will~~must present a medication or treatment order addressing the condition. A life-threatening health condition means a condition that will put the child in danger of death during the school day if a medication or treatment order providing authority to a registered nurse and a nursing plan are not in place. Following submission of the medication or treatment order, a nursing plan will be developed ~~to implement the order. The Student's parents/guardians also must provide any medication or equipment identified in the medication or treatment order necessary to carry out the order, unless federal law requires the district to provide the medication or equipment.~~

~~Students who have a life-threatening health condition and nohave not presented a medication or treatment order presented to the school will be excluded from school, to the extent that the district can do so consistent with federal requirements for students with disabilities under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and according to the following due process requirements:~~

- ~~A. Written notice to the state law. The district will notify the student's parents, /guardians or persons in loco parentis delivered to the parents in person or by certified mail;~~
- ~~B. Notice of the applicable laws, including a copy of the laws and rules;~~
- ~~C. The order that the prior to excluding a student will be excluded from school immediately and until a medication or treatment order is presented;~~
- ~~D. Explain the rights of the parents and student to a hearing, the hearing process and explain that the exclusion continues until the medication or treatment plan is presented or the hearing officer determines that the student should no longer be excluded from school;~~
- ~~E. If the parents request a hearing, and the district will schedule one within three school days of receiving the request, unless more time is requested by the parents; and provide a hearing process by which the parents/guardians may challenge the exclusion.~~
- ~~F. The hearing process will be consistent with the procedures established for disciplinary cases pursuant to Chapter 392-400 WAC.~~

~~The superintendent will adopt procedures necessary to implement this policy.~~

~~The Board designates the superintendent as the “chief administrator” for district schools for purposes of administering the requirements of RCW 28A.210.320. The superintendent will develop procedures for presentation of medication or treatment orders, development of nursing plans, exclusion of students, and appeals of exclusions consistent with state law.~~

Cross References: Board Policy 3241 Classroom Management, Discipline and Corrective Action
 Board Policy 2161 Special Education and Related Services for Eligible Students

Legal References: Chapter 28A.210 RCW Health — Screening and requirements
 Chapter 246-105 WAC Immunization of child care and school children against certain vaccine-preventable diseases
 WAC 392-182 Student — Health records
 WAC 392-380 Public school pupils — Immunization requirement and life-threatening health condition

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 Policy News, August 2007 Human Papilloma Virus Disease Notification
 Policy News, April 2006 Chickenpox Immunization Required
 Policy News, June 2005 Distribution of Information on Meningococcal Disease
 Policy News, October 2002 Legislature Addresses “Life-Threatening Conditions”

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