

Mt. Diablo USD

BP 5141.32 Students

Child Health And Disability Prevention Program

When parents/guardians enroll their children in kindergarten or transitional kindergarten, the district shall inform them about their obligation to obtain or waive a health screening for their children before they enter transitional kindergarten, kindergarten, or first grade. The district shall also inform them about the availability of free health screening for low-income children, as provided under the Child Health and Disabilities Prevention Program, and about the evaluation services and other benefits provided under Division 106, Part 2, Chapter 3, Article 6 of the Health and Safety Code. (Health and Safety Code 124100, 124105)

The parent/guardian of a student in transitional kindergarten, kindergarten, or first grade shall submit to the Superintendent or designee a certification form developed by the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) and signed by the student's health examiner certifying that the student has completed a comprehensive health screening within a) 6 months prior to entry into transitional kindergarten or kindergarten or b) 18 months prior to entry into first grade or within 90 days thereafter.

(cf. 5111 - Admission)

The above information shall be provided with notifications about immunization requirements and when parents/guardians enroll any first grade children who have not attended kindergarten in the district. The district shall encourage parents/guardians to arrange for their children to obtain their health screening prior to or during their kindergarten year.

(cf. 5141.31 - Immunizations)

The Superintendent or designee may arrange for local health authorities to offer health examinations at school sites.

(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)

During the first 90 days of school, the Superintendent or designee may contact transitional kindergarten, kindergarten, or first grade parents/guardians who have not provided evidence of a health screening or a waiver. If any parents/guardians do not respond to this notification, the Superintendent or designee may

contact them a second time to ensure that they understand that their children may be eligible to receive a health screening at no cost.

The Board shall exclude from school, for up to five days, any first grade student who does not present evidence of a health screening or an appropriate waiver on or before the 90th day after entering the first grade. This exclusion shall begin on the 91st calendar day after the student's entrance into the first grade. If school is not in session that day, the exclusion shall begin on the next succeeding school day. Within limits established in law, the Superintendent or designee may exempt from exclusion students whose parents/guardians failed to respond to district attempts to obtain evidence of health screening or a signed waiver. (Health and Safety Code 124105)

(cf. 5112.2 - Exclusions from Attendance)

The Superintendent or designee shall annually provide the county Child Health and Disability Prevention Program, the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) and the California Department of Education with the health screening information required by law. (Health and Safety Code 124100)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

48985 Notice to parents in language other than English

49060-49079 Pupil records

49452.8 Oral health assessment

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

104395 Child Health and Disability Prevention Program expansion

124025-124110 Child Health and Disability Prevention Program, especially:

124085 Certificate documenting health screening and evaluation services; waiver by parent/guardian

124100 Distribution of program information to parents/guardians of kindergarten children

124105 Exclusions and exemption; legislative intent of notification contents

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

432 Student records

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 17

6800-6874 Child Health and Disability Prevention Program

Management Resources:

CSBA PUBLICATIONS

Promoting Oral Health for California's Students: New Roles, New Opportunities for Schools, Governance and Policy Services, Policy Brief, February 2007

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES PUBLICATIONS

CHDP School Handbook: School Entry Health Examination Requirements, rev. January 2006

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

California Department of Education, Health Services: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/he/hn>

California Dental Association: <http://www.cda.org>

California Department of Health Care Services, Child Health and Disability Prevention Program:

<http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/chdp>

California Healthy Kids Resource Center: <http://www.californiahealthykids.org>

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