STUDENTS 3500

Student Health/Physical Screenings/Examinations

The Board may arrange each year for health services to be provided to all students. At the start of the school year, each District school shall notify parent/guardians of health services offered or made available through the school or by private organizations partnering with the District that offer services on school property or as a part of a school program. Parents/guardians shall be notified of any new health services that become available after the annual notice is sent.

Such services may include, but are not limited to:

- 1. The development of procedures at each building for the isolation and temporary care of students who become ill during the school day;
- 2. The consulting services of a qualified specialist for staff, students, and parents;
- 3. Vision and hearing screening;
- 4. Scoliosis screening; and
- 5. Immunization as provided by the Department of Health and Human Services.

Parents/guardians will receive a written notice of any screening result which indicates a condition that might interfere or tend to interfere with a student's progress. Additionally, if a member of the District's staff becomes aware of a change in the student's mental, emotional, or physical health or well-being, the staff member shall address the matter as described in Policy 2425.

In general, the District will not conduct a physical examinations of a student without parental consent to do so or by court order, unless the health or safety of the student or others is in question. Further, parents will be notified of the specific or approximate dates during the school year when any non-emergency, invasive physical examination or screening administered by the District is conducted which is:

- 1. Required as a condition of attendance;
- 2. Administered by the school and scheduled by the school in advance; and
- 3. Not necessary to protect the immediate health and safety of the student or other students.

Parents or eligible students will be given the opportunity to opt out of the above-described nonemergency, invasive physical examination or screening.

As used in this policy, the term "invasive physical examination" means any medical examination involving the exposure of private body parts or any act during such examination that includes incision, insertion, or injection into the body, but this does not include a hearing, vision, or scoliosis screening.

Students who wish to participate in certain extracurricular activities may be required to submit to a physical examination to verify their ability to participate in the activity. Students participating in activities governed by the Idaho High School Activities Association will be required to follow the rules of that organization, as well as other applicable District policies, rules, and regulations. All parents will be notified of the requirements of the District's policy on physical examinations and screening of students, at least annually at the beginning of the school year and within a reasonable period of time after any substantive change in the policy.

Abortion-Related Counseling and Referrals Prohibited

All staff are prohibited from providing the following services to any person during working hours or in the course of their work:

- 1. Providing or performing an abortion;
- 2. Counseling in favor of abortion;
- 3. Referring for abortion; or
- 4. Dispensing emergency contraception.

Cross Reference: 2425 Parental Rights

Legal Reference: 20 U.S.C. § 1232h(b) Protection of Pupil Rights – Limits on Survey,

Analysis, or Evaluations

I.C. § 18-8701, et seq. No Public Fund for Abortion Act

I.C. § 33-6001 Parental Rights

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