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**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 the following diseases as recommended by the State Board of Health: diphtheria, pertussis (whooping cough), tetanus, poliomyelitis, measles, rubella, mumps, hepatitis B, varicella (chickenpox). Immunizations for Pneumonia and hemophilia influenza type B disease are required for preschool attendance. A student satisfies the varicella requirement upon a physician's verification that the student has had varicella. Laboratory verification of immunity signed by a licensed health care provider will satisfy any of the above requirements.

**MENINGOCOCCAL IMMUNIZATIONS INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION**

The District will provide parents/legal guardians of students in sixth grade and above with information about meningococcal disease at the beginning of every school year. The information will address the characteristics of the 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 PAPILLOMAVIRUS DISEASE INFORMATION**

At the beginning of every school year, from sixth through twelfth grade the District will provide parents and guardians with information, provided by the state Department Of Health about human papillomavirus disease and its vaccine. The information will include the causes and symptoms of human papillomavirus, how the disease is spread, the places where parents and guardians may obtain additional information and vaccinations for their children and current recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control Prevention regarding the vaccine.

**LIFE-THREATENING HEALTH CONDITIONS**

Prior to attendance at school, each child with a life-threatening health condition will 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 authorization, and treatment order providing current health information, all required medications and/or medical supplies and current individual health care plan are not in place. Students who have a documented life-threatening health condition and no medication and/or medical supplies, treatment order, authorization for the administration of medication, and an current health care plan presented to the school, will be excluded from school, to the extent that the District can do so consistent within state law, federal requirements for students with disabilities under the Individuals with Disabilities Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and pursuant to the following due process requirements:

- A. Written notice to the parents/legal guardians 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 student will shall be excluded from school immediately and until all required documentation, medication and/or medical supplies have been received and approved;

- D. Explain the rights of the student and parents/legal guardians 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/legal guardians request a hearing, the District will schedule one within three school days of receiving the request, unless more time is requested by the parents; and,
- F. The hearing process will be consistent with the procedures established for disciplinary cases pursuant to Chapter 392-400 WAC.



Cross References:

- Special Education and Related Services for Eligible Students ..... Policy 2161
- Education of Students with Disabilities Under Section 504..... Policy 2162

Legal References:

- Health—Screening and requirements .....RCW 28A.210
- Immunization of Child Care and School Children Against Certain Vaccine-Preventable Diseases.....  
..... WAC 246-105
- Student—Health records ..... WAC 392-182
- Public school pupils—Immunization requirement and life-threatening health condition WAC 392-380

Management Resources:

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- ..... *Policy News*, August 2011
- ..... *Policy News*, June 2011
- Human Papillomavirus Disease Notification..... *Policy News*, August 2007
- Chickenpox Immunization Required..... *Policy News*, April 2006
- Distribution of Information on Meningococcal Disease ..... *Policy News*, June 2005
- Legislature Addresses “Life Threatening Conditions” .....*Policy News*, October 2002

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