STUDENTS

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 students to present evidence of having been immunized against diseases as required by Chapter 28A.210 RCW and the Washington State Board of Health Chapter 246-105 WAC.

Exemptions from Immunization
The district will allow for exemptions from immunization requirements only as allowed for by RCW 28A.210.090 and WAC 246-105-050.

Meningococcal Disease, Human Papilloma Virus Disease and Vaccine Information Distribution
At the beginning of every school year, the district will provide parents/guardians of sixth (6th) through twelfth (12th) grade students, information provided by the Washington State Department of Health about meningococcal disease, human papilloma virus (HPV) disease and their vaccines.

The information will include the causes and symptoms of meningococcal disease and HPV, how the diseases are spread, the places where parents/guardians may obtain additional information and vaccinations for their children, and current recommendations from the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention regarding the vaccines.

Life-Threatening Health Conditions
Prior to attendance at school, each child with a life-threatening health condition will present a medication and treatment order from a Licensed Healthcare Provider (LHCP) 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 and treatment order, providing authority to a registered nurse, and a nursing care plan are not in place. Following submission of the medication and treatment order, the registered nurse will develop the nursing care plan.

Students who have a life-threatening health condition and no 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 due process requirements in district Procedure 3413P.

Exclusion from School
The district will exclude students as required in RCW 28A.210.120 from further presence at the school who are out of compliance with the immunization requirements and students with a life-threatening health condition as required in WAC 392-380-045 who do not have a medication or treatment order in place.
Cross references:  
Board Policy 2100  Educational Opportunities for Students with a Parent/Legal Guardian in the Military  
Board Policy 2151  Interscholastic Athletics/Activities  
Board Policy 2210  Special Education and Related Services for Eligible Students  
Board Policy 2211  Education of Students with Disabilities under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973  
Board Policy 3115  Enrollment Rights and Services for Homeless Students  
Board Policy 3410  Student Health  
Procedure 3413P  Student Immunization and Life-Threatening Health Conditions  
Board Policy 3416  Medication at School  
Procedure 3600P  Student Records  

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 246-105-050  Required documentation of immunization status  
Chapter 392-182 WAC  Student—Health records  
Chapter 392-380 WAC  Public school pupils—Immunization requirement and life-threatening health condition  

Adopted:  November 21, 1980  Updated:  March 2017  
Revised:  February 1, 1988  Revised:  November 7, 2017  
Revised:  January 12, 1998  Updated:  February 2018  
Updated:  March 2001  Revised:  January 22, 2019  
Revised:  May 22, 2012  Updated:  January 2020  
Revised:  June 11, 2013  Revised:  August 25, 2020