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EXPLANATION: STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES AND REQUIREMENTS

This policy was modified for clarification and to address the following issues:

Information on Flu Vaccinations

This policy was revised to incorporate the requirements of § 167.637, RSMo., a new statute passed into law under House Bill 1606 (2018). This statute requires districts that provide information on health issues to parents/guardians to include information "that is identical or similar to that produced by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention about influenza and influenza vaccinations." Because most districts provide at least some information to parents/guardians on health issues, such as the importance of immunizations, MSBA has included this requirement in the policy.

Changes Recommended by School Nurses

MSBA requested feedback from those at the Department of Health and Social Services who work with school nurses. The other changes to this policy are based on their suggestions, including:

- 1) Screening for scoliosis is no longer recommended so, based on medical advice, MSBA has removed most references to this screening.**
- 2) MSBA has also added a provision allowing the health staff to provide parents/guardians information about state-provided health insurance for children and how to obtain it. In the course of that discussion, staff can explain to the parent/guardian that if the family does have insurance and shares information about that insurance with the district, the nurse may be able to help parents/guardians receive services. If the district decides to broach this topic, the district must explain how the insurance information will be used and make it clear that disclosure is optional and that choosing not to disclose their insurance will not have any negative impact on their child.**

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	Facility Maintenance		Food Service		Gifted
	Human Resources	X	Principals		Library/Media Center
X	Health Services		Counselor		Special Education
	Transportation		Public Info/Communications		Technology

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The Board of Education will provide for supports the health and physical well-being of students by establishing a districtwide coordinated student health services program. The district nursing staff has oversight of the coordinated student health services program and will work with the School Health Advisory Council (SHAC). ~~The SHAC shall be~~ which is composed of a school nurse, a counselor and appropriate ~~Board-appointed~~ members of the community. The purpose of the SHAC is to incorporate community priorities and values into the district's student health services. The ~~m~~ Meetings, records and votes of the SHAC will adhere to the requirements of the Missouri Sunshine Law.

Nurses employed to staff the health services program shall serve under the direction of the ~~school principal and, if necessary, other qualified medical personnel~~ superintendent or designee and, to the extent required by law, under the supervision of a physician or registered nurse, who may be offsite. The nurse or designee will be responsible for all notifications to parents/guardians regarding health services. The services provided by the nursing staff will include:

1. Administration of laws that protect the health of children attending public schools in Missouri, including:
 - ▶ a. ~~Ensuring compliance with immunization requirements.~~
 - ▶ b. ~~Excluding students who have contagious diseases from attendance when authorized by law.~~
 - ▶ c. ~~Reporting the presence or suspected presence of diseases mandated for reporting by law.~~
2. Emergency first aid treatment for injury or illness occurring during the school day.
3. The administration of medication, including emergency medications stocked by the district, pursuant to Board policy, ~~including training unlicensed personnel in the administration of medications. A qualified member of the nursing staff is responsible for developing procedures for the training of unlicensed personnel as well as devising protocols for the administration of medications by unlicensed personnel. In accordance with law, qualified employees will be held harmless and immune from civil liability for administering medication, medical services or lifesaving methods in good faith and according to standard medical practice. A qualified employee is one who has been trained to administer medication according to standard medical practice.~~

4. Assistance in carrying out the district's responsibilities outlined in Section 504 plans, Individualized Health Plans (IHPs) or Individualized Education Programs (IEPs).
5. Guidance and counseling concerning health problems of students.
6. Maintenance of student health records, including the maintenance of emergency information forms for each student. ~~The nurse will ensure that the school principal has access to all student health records.~~ The nurse will store health records in a secure location, and any health information provided to the nurse orally will be reduced to writing and stored appropriately. The superintendent or designee shall have access to student health records when there is a legitimate educational purpose or access is necessary to supervise staff. District employees shall not share information regarding a student's health in front of other students or staff members who do not have a need to know the information. Student records will be stored and disclosed in accordance with Board policy.
7. Age-appropriate health education in the district's instructional program, in accordance with Missouri School Improvement Program (MSIP) Standards and Missouri Grade-Level Expectations (GLEs), including information about the prevention and control of communicable diseases, the use of universal standard precautions when handling bodily fluids, allergy prevention and response, blood-borne pathogens, and handling of bodily fluids diabetes, asthma and other chronic conditions. The nurse will maintain information developed by the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) relating to human papillomavirus (HPV) and may provide this information directly to parents/guardians; but not to students. The nurse will also provide parents/guardians and students information that is produced by or similar to information produced by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on influenza and influenza vaccinations.
8. Screening for health conditions in accordance with Board policy and administrative procedures.
9. Notification of the school principal if informed of a condition that could require accommodation under federal law.
10. ~~Maintenance of copies of the Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for all pesticides used in the district.~~ Sharing information with parents/guardians about publicly available health insurance options for students.
11. Development and annual review of a Health Services Plan.
12. Training staff as necessary to implement the district's health and safety program.

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13. Such other services as assigned by the supervising principal or superintendent.

Contraceptives

The district and its agents may not provide contraceptive devices or contraceptive drugs. Referral to the family practitioner for such devices or drugs will ~~only be~~ **made only** in accordance with the parental notification checklist requirements of state law.

Physical Examinations and Screenings

"Screening" is the use of a procedure to examine a large population to determine the presence of a health condition or risk factor in order to identify those who need further evaluation. Screening tests for various health conditions (such as vision; **and** hearing ~~and scoliosis~~) will be conducted in accordance with administrative procedures. ~~Students may also be weighed and measured. Subject to a written agreement, the district may solicit or permit an outside entity to assist with student health screening. The agreement will include a provision requiring the entity to turn over all records collected during the screening, destroy the information after providing it to the district, keep all student information confidential and hold the district harmless for the entity's actions. The superintendent or designee may contact the district's attorney for assistance in drafting the agreement.~~

Parents/Guardians will receive a written notice of any screening result that indicates a condition that might interfere with a student's **academic** progress or health.

In general, the school district will not conduct physical examinations of a student without parental consent ~~to do so~~ unless the health or safety of the student or others is in question or unless by court order.

Further, parents/**guardians** will be notified of the specific or approximate dates during the school year when any nonemergency, invasive physical examination or screening administered by the district is conducted that is:

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

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

Parents/**Guardians** or eligible students will be given the opportunity to opt out of the above-described nonemergency, invasive physical examination or 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 Missouri State High School Activities Association (MSHSAA) will be required to follow the rules of that organization.

All parents/**guardians** will be notified at least at the beginning of the school year of the district's policy on physical examinations and screening of students. Parents/**Guardians** will also be notified within a reasonable period of time after any substantive change in the policy.

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Note: The reader is encouraged to check the index located at the beginning of this section for other pertinent policies and to review administrative procedures and/or forms for related information.

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Revised:

Cross Refs: EBB, Communicable Diseases
EBBA, Illness and Injury Response and Prevention
IGBC, Parent/**and** Family Involvement in Instructional and Other Programs**and**
Engagement

Legal Refs: §§ 167.181 - .195, .611, .635, **.637**, 170.015(2), **208.670, .677**, RSMo.
Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment, 20 U.S.C. § 1232h(b)
Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. §§ 1400 - 1417
34 C.F.R. Part 300
The Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504, 29 U.S.C. § 794
Americans with Disabilities Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 - 12213

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