

JLCA - PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS OF STUDENTS

Each child must have a complete physical examination within a one-year period before first entry to school.

IMMUNIZATION - Any student being admitted to the School District for the first time must meet the State requirements for immunization.

HOMELESS STUDENT - If an admitted homeless student does not have immediate access to his or her immunization records, the student shall be admitted under a personal exception. Students and families should be encouraged to obtain current immunization records or immunizations as soon as possible, and the district liaison is directed to assist. Records from the student's previous school shall be requested from the previous school pursuant to district policies.

EXAMINATION OBJECTIONS - However, no medical examination shall be required of a child whose parent or guardian objects thereto in writing on the grounds such medical examination is contrary to his/her religious tenets and teachings.

STUDENT TRANSFERS - Parents of students transferring to the District must present proof of meeting the physical examination and immunization requirement within thirty days of entrance. Failure to comply with this provision may result in exclusion from school for the child.

IMMUNIZATION EXCEPTIONS - A child shall be exempted from the above immunization requirements if he/she presents evidence from his/her physician that immunization will be detrimental to his/her health.

A child shall be excused from immunization for religious reasons upon the signing of a notarized form by the parent/guardian stating that the child has not been immunized because of religious beliefs.

ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY – Students must pass a physical to be eligible for athletics. It is recommended that a physical examination be performed within 12 months of starting grade 6 and grade 9. In cases where the previous procedure was not followed, a physical examination must be performed within 12 months of the athletic sport start date. Student athletes continuing to participate in the athletic program must be re-examined within two years of the previous physical examination on file. For example, if an exam was performed September 2009, another exam would be required by September 2011 to continue athletic eligibility. Student athletes significantly injured or ill since the last examination are also required to be re-examined in order to be eligible for athletic participation. Student must have a health information form and physical examination form completed and returned to the school prior to athletic participation.

CONCUSSION TESTING - The District requires a baseline concussion test for any athlete participating in competitive sports activities, and a follow up test for any athlete suspected of having a concussion following a contact or collision. The Athletic Department will provide interested students and parents with information on concussion testing, accessibility, and cost.

The Athletic Department will make every effort to work with an outside agency to provide on-site testing free of charge.

INJURED ATHLETES - Any injured student excused from athletic practice for three or more days while under a physician's care must provide written authorization from a physician to the coach to resume practice. Students with concussions and head injuries are subject to protocols outlined in Policy JLCJ (Concussions and Head Injuries).

PHYSICAL EDUCATION - No child shall be excused from regular physical education except on the written notice of a duly licensed physician or on the written request of the parents, subject to Board approval, in which case an alternative program shall be provided. Temporary excuses on a day-to-day basis may be granted by the Teacher upon the request of the parents.

FEDERAL FUNDS - If the District utilizes federal money to perform physical exams or screenings on students, the District will annually notify parent(s) of such physical exam or screening, except for vision, hearing, or scoliosis.

Statutory/Regulatory/Policy/Handbook Cross References

Policy JJI (Athletic Policies)

Policy JLCA-Form (Family Physician's Report of Physical Examination)

Policy JLCJ (Concussions and Head Injuries)

RSA 141-C:20-c (Exemptions)

RSA 200:32 (Physical Examination of Pupils)

RSA 200:38 (Control and Prevention of Communicable Diseases: Duties of School Nurse)

NH Code of Administrative Rules ED 311.03 (Physical Examination of Students)

No Child Left Behind, Title II, Section 1061

Handbook (Referenced in Handbooks)

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