

PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS OF STUDENTS

Every student will be examined once in each school year for screening in sight or hearing and for other physical problems as provided in the laws. A record of the results will be kept by the school nurse.

Every student will be given a general physical examination four times: upon entering school and upon admittance to the fourth, seventh, and tenth grades. The results of examinations will be a basis for determining what corrective measures or modifications of school activities, if any, should be recommended. A record of all examinations and recommendations will be kept.

Every candidate for a school athletic team will present the signed consent of parent or guardian in order to participate on a squad and will, with the signed consent of parent or guardian, be thoroughly examined to determine physical fitness. Signed permission card and verification of passing a physical exam are required before participation is allowed (practice or game). Forms are passed in directly to the athletic trainer. All students must turn in an M.I.A.A. medical form. A student-athlete must have a physical examination yearly. A written report stating the fitness of the student to participate signed by the physician will be sent to the school principal.

The school committee or the board of health shall provide the services of a school physician to carry out physical examinations on such children who, because of hardship, do not have this service performed by the student's physician, nurse practitioner, or physician assistant. Every reasonable effort shall be made to link such students with a primary care provider.

Whenever the school nurse finds a child suffering from any disease or medical problem, the situation will be reported to the parent or guardian in writing, or by personal visit if remedial treatment is recommended. A copy of the report will be filed at the school.

The school nurse will make a monthly report to the Superintendent of the number of students examined; the number excluded; and the number recommended for treatment or special adjustment of work. In all cases of exclusion or recommendation, the causes will be included in the report.

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