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Policy Title: HEALTH SERVICES

Policy Code No. 604.2

Students are recommended to be in good health, as certified by their physician, prior to admission into school. The Board of Directors retains the authority to deny continued enrollment if the student has not complied with the minimum immunization requirements as stated by the State Department of Health and to require at any time a certification of good health for any student.

Students enrolling for the first time in the school district shall also submit a certificate of immunization against diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus, poliomyelitis, rubeola, rubella, and other immunizations required by law. The student may be admitted conditionally to the attendance center if the student has not yet completed the immunization process but is in the process of doing so. Failure to meet the immunization requirement will be grounds for suspension, expulsion or denial of admission. Upon recommendation of the lowa Department of Education and Iowa Department of Public Health, students entering the district for the first time may be required to pass a TB test prior to admission. The district may conduct TB tests of current students.

Exemptions from the immunization requirement in this policy will be allowed only for medical or religious reasons recognized under the law. The student must provide a valid lowa State Department of Health Certificate of Immunization Exemption to be exempt from this policy.

Health services shall be coordinated with the health education and physical education curriculum and the guidance and counseling services. The goal of the health services provided by the school district is to help each student protect, improve, and maintain physical, emotional, and social well-being.

Nurses employed by the Board of Directors shall hold and maintain a current Iowa nursing license.

In addition to the health services provided in the curriculum, the school district will provide the following district-wide health services:

- 1. Immunization screening as needed;
- 2. Height and weight screening;
- 3. Vision and/or hearing screenings;
- 4. Scoliosis screening;
- 5. Lice screening;
- 6. Health education;
- 7. Blood pressure screening.

The school districts will:

- 1. Report communicable disease;
- 2. Report and maintain student immunization records;
- 3. Report child abuse observed by certified personnel;

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4. Provide hazardous chemical disclosure.

Within 30 days of the beginning of the school year, evidence that all pupils have been immunized will be furnished to the State Board of Health.

At the beginning of the second semester, the Board of Directors has legal authority to refuse to readmit students who were enrolled during the first semester if they have not complied with immunization requirements.

The superintendent shall upon request provide a written report on the role of health services in the education program to the Board of Directors.

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