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School Health Advisory Council

A board shall establish a local school health advisory council (SHAC) to assist a district in ensuring that local community values are reflected in the district's health education instruction. *Education Code 28.004(a)* [See EHAA regarding duties of the SHAC]

The SHAC shall meet at least four times each year. *Education Code 28.004(d-1)*

Composition

A board shall appoint at least five members to the SHAC. A majority of the members must be parents of students enrolled in the district and must not be employed by the district. One of those members shall serve as chair or co-chair of the SHAC.

A board may also appoint one or more public school teachers, public school administrators, district students, health-care professionals, members of the business community, law enforcement representatives, senior citizens, clergy, representatives of nonprofit health organizations, representatives of local domestic violence programs, or representatives of another group.

Education Code 28.004(d)

Physical Activity and Fitness Planning Subcommittee

The SHAC shall establish a physical activity and fitness planning subcommittee to consider issues relating to student physical activity and fitness and make policy recommendations to increase physical activity and improve fitness among students. *Education Code* 28.004(*l*-1)

Annual Report

In addition to its other duties, the SHAC shall submit to the board, at least annually, a written report that includes:

- Any SHAC recommendation concerning a district's health education curriculum and instruction or related matters that the SHAC has not previously submitted to the board:
- 2. Any suggested modification to a SHAC recommendation previously submitted to the board; and
- A detailed explanation of the SHAC's activities during the period between the date of the current report and the date of the last prior written report.

Education Code 28.004(m)

Changes in Curriculum

A district must consider the recommendations of the local SHAC before changing the district's health education curriculum or instruction. *Education Code 28.004(b)*

Public Statement

A district shall publish in the student handbook and post on the district's Internet website, if the district has an Internet website, a statement of:

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- District policies adopted to ensure that elementary school, middle school, and junior high school students engage in at least the amount and level of physical activity required by Education Code 28.002(I) [see EHAB and EHAC];
- 2. The number of times during the preceding year the SHAC has met;
- Whether the district has adopted and enforces policies to ensure compliance with TEA's vending machine and food service guidelines for restricting student access to vending machines;
- 4. Whether the district has adopted and enforces policies and procedures that prescribe penalties for the use of e-cigarettes, as defined at Education Code 38.006, and tobacco products by students and others on school campuses or at school-sponsored or school-related activities [see DH and GKA]; and
- 5. Notice to parents that they can request in writing their child's physical fitness assessment results at the end of the school year [see FFAA].

Education Code 28.004(k)

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