

Student Immunizations and Life-Threatening Health Conditions

Policy 3413

Immunizations

In order to safeguard the school community from the spread of certain communicable diseases and in recognition that prevention is a means of combating the spread of disease, the board requires a student to present evidence of his/her having been immunized against diseases as required by 28A.210 RCW and the Washington State Board of Health 246.105 WAC.

Exemptions from Immunization

The district will allow for exemptions from immunization requirements only as allowed for by RCW 28A.210.090 and WAC 246-105-050.

Meningococcal Disease, Human Papillomavirus Virus Disease and Vaccine Information Distribution

At the beginning of every school year, from sixth through twelfth grade the district will provide parents and guardians with information, provided by the state Department of Health about meningococcal disease, human papilloma virus (HPV) disease and their vaccines.

The information will include the causes and symptoms of meningococcal disease, human papilloma virus, how the diseases are spread, the places where parents and guardians may obtain additional information and vaccinations for their children and current recommendations from the United States Centers for Disease Control Prevention regarding the vaccines.

Life-Threatening Health Conditions

Prior to attendance at school, each child with a life-threatening health condition will present a medication or treatment order from a Licensed Healthcare Provider (LHP) addressing the condition. A life threatening health condition means a condition that will put the child in danger of death during the school day if a medication and treatment order, providing authority to a registered nurse, and nursing plan are not in place. Following submission of the medication or treatment order, the registered nurse will develop the nursing care plan.

Students who have a life-threatening health condition and no medication or treatment order presented to the school shall be excluded from school, to the extent that the district can do so consistent with federal requirements for students with disabilities under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and according to the due process requirements in School District Procedure 3413P.

Exclusion from School

The district will exclude students as required in RCW 28A.210.120 from further presence at the school who are out of compliance with the immunization requirements and students with a life-threatening health condition as required in WAC 392-380-045 WAC who do not have a medication or treatment order in place. The superintendent will adopt procedures necessary to implement this policy.

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| Cross References: | Policy 2100 | Educational Opportunities for Military Children |
| | Policy 2161 | Special Education and Related Services for Eligible Students |
| | Policy 2162 | Education of Students with Disabilities Under Section 504 |
| | Policy 3115 | Students Experiencing Homelessness- Enrollment Rights and Services |
| | Policy 3241 | Student Discipline |
| | Policy 3416 | Medication at School |
| Legal References: | RCW 28A.210 | Health Screenings and requirements |

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| | WAC 246-105 | Immunization of child care and school children against certain vaccine-preventable diseases |
| | WAC 392-182 | Student - Health records |
| | WAC 392-380 | Public School Pupils – Immunization requirements and life-threatening health condition |

Management Resources: *Policy & legal News:*

- October 2002
- June 2005
- April 2006
- August 2007
- June 2011
- August 2001
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