STUDENT IMMUNIZATION AND LIFE-THREATENING HEALTH CONDITIONS

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 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 Papilloma Virus Disease and Vaccine Information Distribution

At the beginning of every school year, the district will provide parents/guardians or sixth through twelfth grade students with information provided by the Washington 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/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 and 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 a nursing care plan are not in place. Following submission of the medication and 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 will 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 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 WAS 392380-045 who do not have a medication or treatment order in place.

The superintendent will adopt procedures necessary to implement this policy.

Cross References: Board Policy 2100 Educational Opportunities for Military

Children

Board Policy 2161 Special Education and Related Services

for Eligible Students

Board Policy 2162 Education of Students with Disabilities

Under Section 504

Board Policy 3115 Student Experiencing Homelessness –

Enrollment Rights and Services

Board Policy 3241 Classroom Management, Discipline and

Corrective Action

Board Policy 3416 Medication at School

Legal References: RCW 28A.210 Health Screening and requirements

WAC 246-105 Immunization of child care and school

children against certain vaccinepreventable diseases WAC 392-182

Student – Health records

WAC 392-380 Public school pupils – Immunization

requirement and life-threatening

health condition

Management Resources: Policy News, June 2005 Distribution of Information of

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Policy News, April 2006 Chickenpox Immunization Required Policy News, August 2007 Human Papillomavirus Disease

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