

Bigfork School District #38

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Student Health/Physical Screenings/Examinations

The Board may arrange each year for health services to be provided to all students. Such services may include, but not be limited to:

- I. The development of procedures at each building for the isolation and temporary care of students who become ill during the school day.
2. Consulting services of a qualified specialist for staff, students, and parents.
3. Vision and hearing screening.
4. Scoliosis screening.
5. Immunization as provided by the Department of Health and Human Services.

The District will not conduct physical examinations of a student without parental consent to do so or by court order, unless the health or safety of the student or others is in question. Further, parents will be notified of the specific or approximate dates during the school year when any non-emergency, routine physical examination or screening administered by the District is to be conducted which are:

- I. Required as a condition of attendance.
- I. Administered by the school and scheduled by the school in advance.
- I. Not necessary to protect the immediate health and safety of the student or other students.

Parents or eligible students will be given the opportunity to opt out of the above-described non-emergency, invasive physical examination or screening. Parents/guardians will receive a written notice of any screening result which indicates a condition that might interfere or tend to interfere with a student's progress. Physical examinations will only be performed by a medical doctor or registered nurse licensed in the state of Montana. Emergency or urgent care examinations may be performed by licensed emergency medical technicians.

Students who wish to participate in certain extracurricular activities may be required to submit to a physical examination to verify their ability to participate in the activity. Students participating in activities governed by the Montana High School Association will be required to follow the rules of that organization, as well as other applicable District policies, rules, and regulations.

All parents will be notified of the requirements of the District's policy on physical examinations and screening of students, at least annually at the beginning of the school year and within a reasonable period of time after any substantive change in the policy.

Legal Reference: § 20-3-324(20), MCA Powers and duties
General Education Provisions Act, 20 U.S.C. 1232h(b)

Policy History:

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