## Students

## **Child Health and Disability Prevention Program**

When parents/guardians enroll their children in kindergarten, the district shall inform them about their obligation to obtain or waive a health screening for their children before they enter first grade. The district shall also inform them about the availability of free health screening for low-income children, as provided under the Child Health and Disabilities Prevention Program. (Health and Safety Code 124100, 124105)

The above information shall be provided with notifications about immunization requirements and when parents/guardians enroll any first grade children who have not attended kindergarten in the district. The district shall encourage parents/guardians to arrange for their children to obtain their health screening prior to or during their kindergarten year.

(cf. 5141.31 - Immunizations) (cf. 1020 - Youth Services)

Certification /Waiver of Health Screening

Within 90 days after a student's entrance into first grade, his/her parent/guardian shall provide the Superintendent or designee with the completed certification form documenting that the student has obtained the health screening within the prior 18 months. (Health and Safety Code 124085)

In lieu of the certificate, parents/guardians may submit a waiver indicating that they do not want or unable to obtain a health screening. If the waiver indicates that the parent/guardian was unable to obtain the services, the reasons should be included in the waiver. (Health and Safety Code 124085)

Upon request, the Superintendent or designee shall provide a parent/guardian with a waiver form developed by the DHS.

The Board shall exclude from school, for up to five days, any first grade student who does not present evidence of a health screening or an appropriate waiver on or before the 90th day after entering the first grade. This exclusion shall begin on the 91st calendar day after the student's entrance into the first grade. If school is not in session that day, the exclusion shall begin on the next succeeding schoolday. Within limits established in law, the Superintendent or designee may exempt from exclusion students whose parents/guardians failed to respond to district attempts to obtain evidence of health screening or a signed waiver. (Health and Safety Code 124105)

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## **Child Health and Disability Prevention Program (continued)**

Legal Reference: HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE 104395 Child Health and Disability Prevention Program expansion 124025-124100 Child Health and Disability Prevention Program, especially: 124085 Certificate of receipt; health screening and evaluation services; waiver by parent or guardian 124100 Distribution of program information to parents/guardians of kindergarten children 124105 Exclusion and exemptions; legislative intent of notification contents

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