

5141.6 School Health Services

The Governing Board recognizes that good physical and mental health is critical to a student's ability to learn and believes that all students should have access to comprehensive health and social services. The Board may collaborate with local and state health, mental health and social service providers in order to offer integrated services at or near district schools. The district may provide preventive, diagnostic, therapeutic and/or rehabilitative health services on an outpatient basis at school sites.

The district may serve as a Medi-Cal provider to the extent feasible, comply with all related legal requirements and seek reimbursement of costs to the extent allowed by law.

School health services shall be provided under the supervision of a licensed health care professional. The Board may employ or contract with health care professionals or partner with community health centers to provide the services under the terms of a written contract or memorandum of understanding.

If a school nurse is employed by the school or district, he/she shall be involved in planning and implementing the school health services as appropriate.

To further encourage students' access to health care services, the Superintendent or designee shall develop and implement strategies for outreach and enrollment of eligible students from low- to moderate-income working families in affordable, comprehensive state or federal health coverage programs and local health initiatives.

While the District recognizes that good physical and mental health is critical to a student's ability to learn and believes that all students should have access to comprehensive health and social services, the District is under no obligation to allow students to receive private or specialized health services from outside service providers during school hours or after school programs.

Consent and Confidentiality

The Superintendent or designee shall obtain written parent/guardian consent prior to providing services to a student, except when the student is authorized to consent to the service pursuant to Family Code 6920-6929, Health and Safety Code 124260, or other applicable law.

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain the confidentiality of student health records in accordance with law.

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