

# TURKEYFOOT VALLEY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: HEALTH EXAMINATIONS/  
SCREENINGS

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## 209. HEALTH EXAMINATIONS/SCREENINGS

1. Authority  
SC 1401, 1402,  
1403  
Title 22  
Sec. 12.41

In compliance with the School Code, the Board shall require that district students submit to health and dental examinations in order to:

1. Protect the school community from the spread of communicable disease.
2. Ensure that the student's participation in health, safety and physical education courses meets his/her individual needs.
3. Ensure that the learning potential of each student is not lessened by a remediable physical disability.

2. Guidelines  
SC 1402, 1407  
Title 22  
Sec. 12.41

Each student shall receive a comprehensive health examination upon original entry, in sixth grade, and in eleventh grade. Parents/Guardians shall be encouraged to have the required health examinations performed at parent/guardian expense by the family physician.

- SC 1403, 1407  
Title 22  
Sec. 12.41

Each student shall receive a comprehensive dental examination upon original entry, in third grade, and in seventh grade. Parents/Guardians shall be encouraged to have the required dental examinations performed at parent/guardian expense by the family dentist.

- SC 1407

The district shall accept reports of privately conducted physical and dental examinations completed within one (1) year prior to a student's entry into the grade where an exam is required. When required health and dental examinations are performed by the district at district expense, physicians, dentists, certified nurse practitioners, or physician assistants shall be paid an established annual fee or hourly rate.

<p>SC 1402 Title 22 Sec. 12.41</p>	<p>Each student shall receive , from the school nurse or medical technician, vision screenings, hearing screenings, height and weight measurements, and other screenings deemed advisable, at intervals established by the district.</p>
<p>SC 1409 Pol. 216</p>	<p>The individual records of health examinations shall be maintained as a confidential record, subject to statute and Board policy.</p>
<p>SC 1419 Title 28 Sec. 23.45</p>	<p>A student who presents a statement signed by the parent/guardian that a medical examination is contrary to his/her religious beliefs shall be examined only when the Secretary of Health determines that the student presents a substantial menace to the health of others.</p>
<p>SC 1402, 1406 Title 22 Sec. 12.41</p>	<p>Where it appears to school health officials or teachers that a student deviates from normal growth and development, or their school examinations reveal conditions requiring health or dental care, the parent/guardian shall be informed; and a recommendation shall be made that the parent/guardian consult a private physician or dentist. The parent/guardian shall be required to report to the school the action taken subsequent to such notification. When the parent/guardian informs the school of financial inability to provide an examination, the school shall advise him/her of the availability of public assistance. Where no action is taken, the school may conduct further examinations.</p>
<p>SC 1405 20 U.S.C. Sec. 1232h Title 28 Sec. 23.2</p>	<p>Parents/Guardians of students who are to receive physical and dental examinations or screenings shall be notified. The notice shall include the date and location of the examination or screening and notice that the parent/guardian may attend or may have the examination or screening conducted privately at the parents'/guardian's expense. Such statement may also include notification that the student may be exempted from such examination or screening if it is contrary to the parent's/guardian's religious beliefs.</p>
<p>3. Delegation of Responsibility</p>	<p>The Superintendent or designee shall instruct all staff members to continually observe students for conditions that indicate health problems or disability and to promptly report such conditions to the school nurse.</p>
<p>SC 1402</p>	<p>The Superintendent or designee shall request an adequate health record from the transferring school for each student transferring into the district.</p>
<p>SC 1409</p>	<p>The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that notice is provided to all parents/guardians regarding the existence of and eligibility for the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP).</p>
<p>SC 1406</p>	

References:

School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1401-1419

State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 12.41, 403.1

State Department of Health Regulations – 28 PA Code Sec. 23.2, 23.45

No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 – 20 U.S.C. Sec. 1232h

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