

**PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS of STUDENTS**
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Every student will be examined for screening in sight, hearing, BMI*, and for other physical problems as provided in the law and regulations. A record of the results will be kept by the school nurse.

Every student will be required to provide proof of a general physical examination four times: upon entering school and upon admittance to the fourth, seventh, and tenth grades. The results of examinations will be a basis for determining what corrective measures or modifications of school activities, if any, should be recommended. A record of all examinations and recommendations will be kept.

Every candidate for a school athletic team will present the signed consent of parent or guardian in order to participate on a squad and will, with the signed consent of parent or guardian, be thoroughly examined to determine physical fitness. A written report of a Physical Exam, stating the fitness of the student to participate signed by the physician will be sent to the Building Administrator, in rare exceptions, athletes may see a school physician if necessary.

Whenever the school nurse finds a child suffering from any disease or medical problem, the situation will be reported to the parent or guardian in writing, or by personal visit if remedial treatment is recommended. A copy of the report will be filed at the school.

The school nurse will provide data as requested to the Superintendent of the number of students examined; the number excluded; and the number recommended for treatment or special adjustment of work. In all cases of exclusion or recommendation, the causes will be included in the report.

** NOTE: Department of Health Regulations call for vision screenings annually in Grades 1-5, once between 6-8, and once between 9-12; hearing screenings annually in grades 1-3, once between 6-8, and once between 9-12; BMI in grades 1, 4, 7, 10.*

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