

Student Health/Physical Screenings/Examinations

The Board recognizes that Coeur d'Alene School District 271 plays a critical role in providing health services, fostering mental health promotion and slowing the spread of disease. To this end, the District will continue to offer limited School Health Services to its students and, with informed consent and where appropriate in the professional judgment of the District's Health Services Department, provide referrals to more robust care offered by a School Based Health Center.

Definitions

“School Health Services” shall mean all efforts of the District’s School Health Services and Nursing Department (“Health Services Department”) to support student achievement through wellness. The Health Services Department works together with teachers, counselors and school staff to prevent and control illnesses, so that students can learn to their greatest potential.

“School-Based Health Center” or “SBHC” shall mean a non-District operated health center staffed by an advanced medical provider (i.e., nurse practitioner, physician assistant, physician, etc.) and medical assistant within a clinic space (examination room, laboratory, etc. and may include a mobile clinic that comes to our schools). Services provided are similar to those offered in a typical doctor’s office, but are located on or near District property. The SBHC may also include a social worker/mental health provider and may be located in a different physical location other than that of the medical services clinic. The services provided by the SBHC are independent of, but are intended to complement and expand, the work of the Health Services Department.

School Health Services

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

1. The maintenance of student health records;
2. The development of procedures at each building for the isolation and temporary care of students who become ill during the school day;
3. Consulting services of a licensed healthcare provider and/or Registered Nurse;
4. Health screenings;
5. Immunization records and screening to ensure compliance with state requirements and;

6. With appropriate consent and where appropriate in the judgment of the Health Services Department, referrals to the School Based Health Center.

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.

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, invasive physical examination or screening administered by the District is conducted which is:

1. Required as a condition of attendance;
2. Administered by the school and scheduled by the school in advance; and
3. 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.

As used in this policy, the term "invasive physical examination" means any medical examination involving the exposure of private body parts or any act during such examination that includes incision, insertion, or injection into the body, but this does not include a hearing, vision, or scoliosis screening.

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.

School-Based Health Centers

School-Based Health Centers (SBHC) provide primary care by combining medical care with preventive and psychosocial services. SBHC may function as a gateway to the healthcare system for some students. For others, SBHC work in conjunction with their medical home to assist with chronic disease management and to address acute care needs that occur during the school day. For many underserved, at-risk students and families, SBHC may be the sole source of coordinated, comprehensive, and culturally appropriate primary care, emotional and academic support, and professional advocacy.

The Board may enter into agreements with School-Based Health Center to provide services, which may include, but may not be limited to:

1. Primary Care services

2. Mental/behavioral health
3. Substance abuse
4. Referrals to outside providers.

The Superintendent shall direct and oversee the establishment of the School-Based Health Center in the Coeur d'Alene School District 271, including locations and hours. Populations that may be served by the SBHC include District students, staff and families. The Superintendent may also create an Advisory Committee to monitor the activities and progress of the SBHC.

Parents and guardians may authorize their student to receive health/mental health care services from the SBHC. Regarding consent, parents and guardians will have two options for the above-described SBHC medical care and services. Parents and guardians may:

1. Grant consent for a student to independently receive services; or
2. Grant consent for a student to receive services only after parental or guardian notification (prior to evaluation and management of student).

Failure to respond will be treated as an election to opt-out of SBHC services. Parents/guardians will also be reminded that students may independently seek health/mental health services outside of the District's referral by the Health Services Department.

Abortion-Related Counseling and Referrals Prohibited

All staff are prohibited from providing the following services to any person during working hours or in the course of their work:

1. Providing or performing an abortion;
2. Counseling in favor of abortion;
3. Referring for abortion; or
4. Dispensing emergency contraception, except in the case of rape.

<u>Cross Reference:</u>	4175	Required Annual Notices
<u>Legal References:</u>	20 U.S.C. § 1232h(b)	Protection of Pupil Rights – Limits on Survey, Analysis, or Evaluations
	<u>.C. § 18-8701, et seq.</u>	<u>No Public Funds for Abortion Act</u>
	IDAPA 08.02.03.160	Safe Environment and Discipline

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