

Students

Series 500

Policy Title Student Health and Immunization Certificates Code No. 507.1

The Board of Directors believes that the health and safety of all the children attending public school is paramount. To ensure healthy children in our public schools, the Board requires the children to be immunized and receive physical examinations in accordance with its policies and the law.

Any student enrolling in kindergarten for the first time in the Marshalltown Community School District or desiring to participate in athletic extracurricular activities shall have a physical examination by a licensed physician. Each student shall submit an up-to-date certificate of health upon the request of the Superintendent of Schools. Failure to provide this information may be grounds for disciplinary action, and the student will be unable to participate in extracurricular athletics.

A student enrolling for the first time in the district shall also submit a certificate of immunization against diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus, poliomyelitis, measles, mumps, rubella, Hepatitis B, and any other immunization required under the law. The student will be admitted on a Provisional Certificate to the attendance center if the student has not yet completed the immunization process but has one of each of the required vaccines. This Provisional Certificate is good for 60 days. The meningitis vaccine is required for students entering 7th through 12th grade; a provisional does not apply. Failure to meet the immunization requirement will be

grounds for disciplinary action up to and including expulsion. Upon recommendation of the Iowa Department of Education and Iowa Department of Public Health, students entering the district for the first time may be required to pass a TB test prior to admission. The district may conduct TB tests of current students.

Exemptions from the immunization requirement will be allowed only for medical or religious reasons recognized under the law. A valid Iowa State Department of Health Certificate of Immunization Exemption shall be completed and filed with the school nurse in each building for both the religious and the medical exemption.

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501.4 Entrance Requirements-Evidence of Age

