

Hardeman County Board of Education

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1 **PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS**

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3 The principal shall ensure that there is a complete physical examination of each student prior to:

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5 1. Entering school for the first time. This applies to PreK, kindergarten, first grade, and other stu-
6 dents for whom there is no health record;¹ and
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8 2. Participation as a member of any athletic team or in any other strenuous physical activity pro-
9 gram.²

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11 Cost of the examination shall be borne by the parent or guardian of the student. These records shall be
12 on file in the principal's, nurse's, or coach's office.³

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14 Screening tests for vision, hearing, scoliosis, BP, and BMI will be conducted annually on selected
15 grades as required by the State Department of Education. Parents/Guardians will receive written notice
16 of any screening result that indicates a condition that might interfere or tend to interfere with a student's
17 progress.

18 **IMMUNIZATIONS**

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21 No students entering school, including those entering PreK, kindergarten or first grade, those from
22 out-of-state and those from nonpublic schools, will be permitted to enroll (or attend) without proof of
23 immunization, as determined by the Commissioner of Public Health.^{1,3} It is the responsibility of the
24 parents or guardians to have their children immunized and to provide such proof to the principal of the
25 school which the student is to attend.⁴

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27 Exceptions will be granted to any child whose parent or guardian shall file with school authorities a
28 signed, written statement that such measures conflict with his/her religious tenets and practices; or due
29 to medical reasons if such child has a written statement from his/her doctor excusing him from such
30 immunization.⁵

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32 Proof of exceptions will be in writing and filed in the same manner as other immunization records.

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34 A list of transfer students shall be kept at each school throughout the school year in order that their
35 records can be monitored by the Department of Health and Environment.

36 37 Legal References:

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39 1. TRR/MS 0520-1-3-.08(2)(a); TCA 49-6-5004(a)
40 2. TRR/MS 0520-1-3-.08(2)(b)
41 3. TCA 49-6-5001(b)(1)
42 4. TCA 49-6-5001(a)
43 5. TCA 49-6-5001(b)(2)