

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION OF STUDENTS

Before any child is admitted for the first time to any public elementary school (grades K-6), such child must have a comprehensive physical examination, of a scope as prescribed by the State Health Commissioner, by a qualified licensed physician or a licensed nurse practitioner or licensed physician assistant acting under the supervision of a licensed physician, who shall make a report of such examination and at the end of such report shall summarize abnormal physical findings, if any, and shall specifically state what, if any, conditions are found that would identify the child as disabled.

- A. A copy of such report must be presented to the school on the child's behalf.
- B. The report must indicate that the child has received the physical examination within the 12 months prior to the date of first entering kindergarten or elementary school.
- C. Transfer students entering a Gloucester County elementary school must provide either one or the other of the following:
 - 1. Records establishing that a physical examination was completed prior to enrolling in another school (evidence of such an examination may be: (a) a copy of the report of the medical examination or (b) transcript notation or phone verification from the other school with records to follow)

OR

- 2. A report of a physical examination dated within the last 12 months
- D. Physical examination reports shall be placed in the child's health record at the school.
- E. A physical examination shall not be required of any child whose parent or guardian objects on religious grounds and who shows no visible evidence of sickness. The parent or guardian shall state in writing that, to the best of his or her knowledge, the child is in good health and free from any communicable or contagious disease.
- F. The Gloucester County Division shall coordinate with The Gloucester County Health Department to conduct physical examinations for medically indigent children, upon request, before their admission to any kindergarten or elementary school, without charge to the children or their parents or guardians.
- G. Parents/guardians of students entering school shall complete a health information form as required by state law. Failure to return the form as required by state law may result in the child's exclusion from school.

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LEGAL REFERENCES: Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, § 22.1-270.

CROSS REFERENCES: JEC School Admission
JECAB Admission of Homeless Students