

HEALTH EXAMINATIONS AND IMMUNIZATIONS

Pupils who enter the Holmdel Township Public Schools for the first time shall present a certificate from a licensed physician to attest to their physical condition. At the parent/guardian's request, the school physician may conduct an examination and sign the certificate.

In accordance with state law, the Holmdel Township Board of Education requires that parents/guardians must present evidence that pupils have been immunized against diphtheria, pertussis (whooping cough), tetanus, poliomyelitis, measles (rubella and rubella), mumps, Hepatitis B and varicella prior to their attending school. The number and timing of such immunizations shall be determined by the school physician and the Superintendent. Exceptions to this policy will be granted only as provided by state law for medical or religious reasons, in which case a statement signed by a physician (in the case of medical exemption) or by a parent/guardian (in case of exemption on religious grounds) shall be submitted to the principal.

Tests to determine the presence or absence of active or communicable tuberculosis in any or all pupils and employees in the schools shall be administered in accordance with the rules of the State Board of Education.

Any pupil whose parent/guardian fails to comply with any part of this policy shall be excluded from school. Furthermore, pupils may be excluded from school upon the recommendation of the school physician or school nurse for the following reasons:

- A. Illness
- B. Exposure to communicable disease
- C. Tuberculosis
- D. Other cause deemed detrimental to the health and cleanliness of other pupils in the school

In all such cases, the parent/guardian shall be notified of the reason for excluding the pupil from school.

The Superintendent shall formulate regulations for this policy and for regular pupil health examinations at appropriate grade levels; before participation in sports programs; and for tuberculosis, scoliosis, hearing loss, visual acuity and any other physical examinations required by law. Any health defects revealed by any examination given by the school health services must be reported to the parent/guardian. The Board shall review the regulations and adopt those required by law.



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Legal References:	<u>N.J.S.A.</u>	18A:35-4.6 through -4.8	Parents Right to Conscience Act of 1979
	<u>N.J.S.A.</u>	18A:40-4	Examination for physical defects and screening of hearing of pupils; health records
	<u>N.J.S.A.</u>	18A:40-4.3	Scoliosis; annual examination; notice to parents or guardian
	<u>N.J.S.A.</u>	18A:40-4.4	Exemption
	<u>N.J.S.A.</u>	18A:40-4.5	Immunity from action of any kind due to provisions of act
	<u>N.J.S.A.</u>	18A:40-5	Method of examination; notice to parent or guardian
	<u>N.J.S.A.</u>	18A:40-6	In general
	<u>N.J.S.A.</u>	18A:40-11	Exclusion of pupils having communicable tuberculosis
	<u>N.J.S.A.</u>	18A:40-16 through -19	Tuberculosis infection; determination of presence ...
	<u>N.J.S.A.</u>	18A:40-20	Immunization at public expense
	<u>N.J.S.A.</u>	26:1A-9.1	Exemption of pupils from mandatory immunizations
	<u>N.J.S.A.</u>	26:4-6	Prohibiting attendance of teachers or pupils
	<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	6:28-3.4(e)	Comprehensive evaluation
	<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	6:29-1.1 <u>et seq.</u>	Health, safety and physical education
	<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	6:29-1.2	Facilities and supplies
	<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	6:29-2.1	Cooperating agencies
	<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	6:29-3.1	School medical inspector
	<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	6:29-4.2	Testing for tuberculosis infection
	<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	6:29-4.3	Communicable disease
	<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	6:29-4.4	Attendance at school by HIV (also known as HTLV-III or LAV infected children
	<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	6:29-4.5	Record and reports
	<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	6:29-6.4(d, e)	Athletics procedures
	<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	6:29-8	Audiometric screening
	<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	6:29-9	Drugs and alcohol

Legal References (continued)

<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	8:57-2	Reporting of acquired immunodeficiency syndrome and infection with Human Immunodeficiency Virus
<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	8:57-4.1	Applicability
<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	8:57-4.2	Proof of immunization
<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	8:57-4.3	Immunization which are medically contraindicated
<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	8:57-4.4	Religious exemptions
<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	8:57-4.6	Documents accepted as evidence of immunization
<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	8:57-4.7	Records required
<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	8:57-4.8	Reports to be sent to the State Department of Health
<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	8:57-4.9	Records available for inspection
<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	8:57-4.10	Diphtheria and tetanus toxoids and pertussis vaccine
<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	8:57-4.11	Polio virus vaccine
<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	8:57-4.12	Measles virus vaccine
<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	8:57-4.13	Rubella vaccine
<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	8:57-4.14	Mumps vaccine
<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	8:57-4.15	Providing immunization
<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	8:57-4.16	Emergency powers of the State Commissioner of Health
<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	8:61-1.1	Attendance at school by pupils or adults infected by human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) also known as HTLV-III or LAV

Plainfield Board of Education v Cooperman, 105 (NJ) 587 (1987)

Possible

Cross References:

*1410	Local units
*4123	Classroom aides
*5111	Admission
*5113	Absences and excuses
*5131.6	Drugs, alcohol, tobacco (substance abuse)
*5141	Health
*5141.21	Administering medication
*5200	Non-public School Pupils
*6142.4	Physical education and health
*6145.1/6145.2	Intramural competition; interscholastic competition
*6164.4	Child study team
*6171.4	Special education

*Indicates policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.