

SPECIAL SERVICES

Health and Welfare

Physical Examinations, Immunizations, Contagious Diseases, Treatment of Injuries

This policy supersedes Policy 2101.2

I. PURPOSE

To establish requirements related to the health and welfare of students enrolled in Fairfax County Public Schools.

II. SUMMARY OF CHANGES SINCE LAST PUBLICATION

This policy has been reviewed, and there are no changes at this time.

III. AUTHORITY

Fairfax County Public Schools shall follow the Code of Virginia requirements in matters relating to health, physical examinations, and immunizations. Interpretation of such statutes and regulations shall be sought from the Fairfax County Health Department.

IV. CONTAGIOUS DISEASE

Students shall be excluded from school when suffering from contagious disease. Days missed shall be considered excused absences.

V. EMERGENCY TREATMENT

No treatment of injuries, except first aid, shall be given in the schools. Emergency Medical Service (EMS) shall be called in cases of medical emergency.

VI. MEDICATIONS

Parents and guardians should administer medications to their children at home whenever possible. If medications must be administered by school staff members during school hours, parents and guardians must submit appropriate written clearances to the school (as provided in implementing regulations related to administration of medication).

VII. RIGHTS OF STUDENTS

The religious beliefs and constitutional rights of students shall be respected within constraints of legal requirements for health instruction, examination, and treatment.

Legal reference: Code of Virginia, Sections 22.1-270, 22.1-271.2, 22.1-272

See also the current versions of: Regulation 2101, Physical Examinations, Immunizations of Students, and Tuberculosis Screening
Regulation 2102, First Aid, Emergency Treatment, and Administration of Medication for Students

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