

100.1 Student Health

Pacific School of Innovation and Inquiry

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A. Immunization

Notwithstanding the *Infant Act*, immunizations administered in district schools shall have parent consent and not be administered unless such consent has been given.

Where consent is provided through the public health nurse, a written record, signed by a public health nurse must be filed with the school principal.

B. Medical Alerts

1. A red binder will be used in each school to maintain a current record of student medical alerts and student medical conditions. This binder will be accessible to all staff in the school, and will normally be kept in the staff room.
2. The binder will consist of three sections:
 - a written description of pertinent medical information for learners with medical/health conditions requiring special attention
 - a recent picture of the student
 - a care plan for conditions that require that level of complexity

NOTE: This information is also kept in MyEdBC. MyEdBC will be the record that is updated and then transferred to the physical binder as needed.

3. Before the beginning of each school year, the school will:
 - a. include an article in a newsletter explaining the necessity of having up-to-date medical information
 - b. send out to the parents of each new student, as part of registration, a form to be completed and signed by parents/guardians if their child has a medical condition diagnosed by a physician that may require precautionary treatment at school.
4. School personnel will review the medical information submitted by incoming families and will notify the public health nurse of any medical alerts (i.e. potentially life-threatening conditions) and when support for care planning and education is required.

5. Any medical condition reported as an allergy to any substance that a child is likely to have exposure to at school shall be treated as a medical alert.

6. Medical Alert Definition:

A Medical Alert Condition - a physician diagnosed, potentially life threatening condition such as:

- Diabetes
 - Epilepsy
 - Anaphylaxis
 - Severe Asthma
 - Blood clotting disorders requiring immediate care
 - Other conditions which may require emergency care as
 - determined in consultation with parents/student/family physician,
 - school and Medical Health Officer or designate.
7. The public health nurse, upon request, will assist school personnel and parents in reviewing the information and developing care plans.
 8. The school Principal (or designate) will inform the school staff of the students who have medical alerts and where to find detailed information, as noted above.