

Health Standards for School Attendance

It is the policy of the Board that all students, regardless of medical disability, are entitled to an education in the least restrictive environment.

Placement decisions for students will be based upon individual need, physical condition of the child and the expected type of interaction with others. Decisions will be made on an individual basis using a team approach and based upon current Center for Disease Control (CDC) recommendations. The team will consist of the student's physician, public health professionals, the student's parents, the Superintendent (or designee) and the Marin County Office of Education (MCOE) legal representative. The final decision regarding student placement rests with the Superintendent.

As required by Education Code section 49403, the MCOE shall cooperate with the local health officer in measures necessary for the prevention and control of communicable diseases. As authorized by Education Code sections *48210-48216* and Health and Safety Code section *120325 et seq*, the Board may exclude a student suffering from a suspected or known contagious or infectious disease which makes attendance hazardous to the welfare of other students until the condition is resolved. At the discretion of the Superintendent or designee, a written statement from a licensed medical practitioner verifying that the student is under treatment and/or is not contagious to others shall be required.

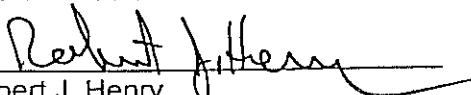
Students with noticeable unhygienic conditions may be excluded from school attendance if they present a possible health hazard to themselves or others.

If students are suffering from a suspected or known contagious or infectious disease which makes their school attendance hazardous to others, they shall be removed from the classroom immediately. As soon as is reasonably possible after the exclusion, the Superintendent shall recommend voluntary exclusion from school to their parents or guardians. Should such voluntary exclusion not occur, notification of exclusion from school attendance for health reasons shall be sent to parents or guardians in accordance with Education Code section 48213 *or section 48216, as appropriate*. Meetings with parents as provided in Education Code section 48213 *or section 48216* and all other procedures as may be required by law shall be undertaken by the Superintendent or designee. Pursuant to Education Code section 48214, and decisions to exclude students from school shall be reviewed at least quarterly by the Superintendent or designee.

Students who are exempt from immunization or who are inadequately immunized against certain diseases may be excluded from school attendance during an outbreak of the respective communicable diseases.

Reference: Education Code sections *48210 - 48216*; 49403  
Health and Safety Code section *120325 et seq*

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