

TUBERCULOSIS TESTING

Any student with active tuberculosis shall be excluded from attendance at a district school in accordance with AR 5112.2 - Exclusions from Attendance.

Students shall be screened or tested for tuberculosis by a licensed medical professional under the following circumstances:

1. Whenever student is entering a U.S. school for the first time or transferring into a District School from ANY country not listed by the World Health Organization (WHO) as low incidence of tuberculosis. The following countries have a low incidence of tuberculosis and require no tuberculosis testing:

America Samoa	Germany	Norway
Andorra	Greece	Oman
Antigua and Barbuda	Greenland	Puerto Rico
Australia	Grenada	Saint Kitts and Nevis
Austria	Iceland	St. Lucia
Barbados	Ireland	St. Maarten (Dutch)
Belgium	Israel	San Marino
Bermuda	Italy	Slovakia
Canada	Jamaica	Slovenia
Cayman Islands	Jordan	Spain
Cook Islands	Lebanon	Sweden
Costa Rica	Luxembourg	Switzerland
Cuba	Malta	Trinidad and Tobago
Cyprus	Monaco	Turks and Caicos Islands
Czech Republic	Montserrat	United Arab Emirates
Denmark	Netherlands	United Kingdom of Great Britain
Dominica	Netherlands Antilles	United States of America
Finland	New Zealand	United States Virgin Islands
France	North Ireland	West Bank of Gaza

2. Whenever ordered by the local health officer, students seeking admission for the first time to a district school at any grade level shall submit to tuberculosis testing. Any student subject to the order shall be admitted to school as follows:
 - a) The Superintendent or designee shall unconditionally admit the student if he/she, prior to admission, submits a certificate, signed by any public or private medical provider, indicating that he/she has completed an approved tuberculosis examination and is free from active tuberculosis.
 - b) Whenever the local health officer so orders, a student may be required to complete an additional examination and provide another certificate indicating that he/she is free of communicable tuberculosis.
 - c) At the discretion of the local health officer, the district may admit a student without a certificate if he/she is undergoing or has already undergone preventive treatment for tuberculosis infection or treatment for tuberculosis disease.

3. Whenever the Superintendent or designee suspects that a student who has not been examined for tuberculosis either has the disease or has been exposed, he/she shall immediately report by telephone to the local health officer. When required by the local health officer, the district shall exclude the student from school until he/she is certified to be free of communicable tuberculosis.

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain a record of any student's tuberculosis examination as part of the student's mandatory permanent student record.

All district staff shall receive information on how tuberculosis is spread and how it can be prevented and treated.

LEGAL REFERENCE:**EDUCATION CODE**

48213	Prior parent notification of exclusion; exemption
49451	Parent's refusal to consent to health examination

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

120230	Exclusion of persons from school when residence is in isolation or quarantine
121365	Duties of local health officer re: tuberculosis control
121475-121520	Tuberculosis tests for students
124025-124110	Child Health and Disability Prevention Program

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

202	Exclusion of students with contagious disease
432	Student records
3030	Eligibility for special education; tuberculosis that adversely affects educational performance

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 22

41301-41329	Tuberculosis tests for students
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Management Resources:**WEB SITES**

American Lung Association: <http://www.lungusa.org>
California Department of Public Health, Tuberculosis Control: <http://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/tb>
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Tuberculosis: <http://www.cdc.gov/tb>
Health Officers Association of California: <http://www.calhealthofficers.org>
World Health Organization: <http://www.who.int/tb/en/>