

STUDENTS

SUBJECT: Tuberculosis Testing

The County Board and Superintendent recognize that tuberculosis poses a public health threat. Treatment of active cases of this disease is the most effective means of controlling its spread.

If the number of tuberculosis cases in our county is on the rise, the County Public Health officer may require tuberculosis testing, and follow-up if appropriate, before students enter school.

The County Office of Education may require a tuberculosis skin test when qualified medical personnel reasonably suspect that a student has active tuberculosis. If there is an outbreak of tuberculosis at any school, the County Office of Education may require all students at the school to undergo tuberculosis skin tests.

Students known to have had a positive tuberculosis skin test shall be excluded from school until they provide evidence of a follow-up x-ray and appropriate medical care or are no longer suspected of having active tuberculosis.

(cf. 5112.2 - Exclusions from Attendance)
(cf. 5141.3 - Health Examinations)

All County Office of Education staff shall receive information on how tuberculosis is spread and how it can be prevented and treated.

(cf. 4119.43 - Universal Precautions)
(cf. 5141.22 - Infectious Diseases)
(cf. 5141.23 - Infectious Disease Prevention)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

48211 Habits and disease

49450 Rules to insure proper care and secrecy

49451 Parent's refusal to consent

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

120875 Providing information to school districts on AIDS, AIDS-related conditions and Hepatitis B

120880 Information to employees of school district

120230 Exclusion of persons from school

121475-121520 Tuberculosis tests for pupils