

STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES AND REQUIREMENTS
(Screening and Referral Programs)

The health screening programs of the Special School District (SSD) are designed to examine the populations at highest risk at a time when early intervention has the most benefit. The following guidelines govern the District's health screening program:

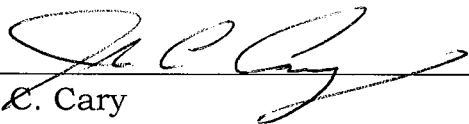
1. The District will examine past screenings and assess them for effectiveness in order to ensure future screening programs effectively meet the needs of the District. The District plan for assessing the District's screening needs can be found in the SSD Health Services Policy and Procedure Manual.
2. The District conducts the following screenings:
 - a. Scoliosis – Grades 6 & 8
 - b. Vision – All grades
 - c. Hearing – All grades
 - d. Body Mass Index (BMI) – All grades
3. The nurse will produce a calendar reflecting the approximate dates for screenings, re-screenings and screening follow-up that is coordinated with the overall school calendar. The calendar is located in the Health Services Manual, Section 25.
4. The nursing staff will assist the superintendent or designee in identifying individual personnel to be utilized in the screening process.
5. The District will use the following procedures to notify parents/guardians of pertinent information pertaining to screening:

Student Handbooks - All student handbooks will include a description of the types of screenings the District will conduct, the timing for those screenings, and the process for excusing the student from a screening.

Each fall the nurse will send parents/guardians a schedule of health screenings and information on excluding their child from such screenings. Parents/guardians will be advised of the results of their student's screenings.

6. The District will notify parents/guardians of screening results with recommendations for parent follow-up/further evaluations. Parents/Guardians who need to consult with District staff regarding the results of any screening should contact the school nurse.
7. Members of the nursing staff are responsible for monitoring the results of all screenings and notifying the special education department or other appropriate staff members if a student may need classroom adaptations, special education services or accommodations.

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