

PUHSD – BOARD POLICIES

JUSTIFICATION FOR SERIES 5000 (STUDENTS)

(Pending Board Approval April 13, 2022)

Background

Board Policy 5113.2 - Work Permits

Policy updated to reflect **NEW LAW (AB 908, 2020)** which prohibits consideration of grades, grade point average, or school attendance in the event of an extended campus closure due to a natural disaster, pandemic, or other emergency.

Administrative Regulation 5113.2 - Work Permits

Regulation updated to reflect **NEW LAW (AB 908, 2020)** which prohibits consideration of grades, grade point average, or school attendance in the event of an extended campus closure due to a natural disaster, pandemic, or other emergency and provides flexibility in the work permit application process during such a closure. Regulation also updated to clarify that (1) students who have graduated early from high school or have received a certificate of proficiency need a "certificate of age" rather than a work permit to be employed; (2) a work permit is not required for students who are serving with written parent/guardian permission as unpaid trainees, volunteers, or in an in-school placement, nor for students who are employed in agricultural, horticultural, viticultural, or domestic labor during non-school hours when the work is performed for or under the control of the parent/guardian; (3) a student applying for a full-time work permit needs to appear in person with the student's parent/guardian except during an extended school closure; (4) a work permit shall not be denied based on a student's grades, grade point average, or school attendance when a student will be participating in a government-administered employment and training program that will occur during a school vacation or recess; (5) work permits are required to be issued on forms provided by or authorized by CDE; and (6) impairment of a student's health can be the basis for revocation of a work permit.

Board Policy 5126 - Awards for Achievement

Policy updated to add optional language for the presentation of biliteracy awards to students who are English learners upon their reclassification as fluent English proficient. New optional section on "State Seal of Civic Engagement" addresses awards for students who have demonstrated excellence in civics education and participation and an understanding of the U.S. Constitution, the California Constitution, and the democratic system of government. Policy also clarifies that a district committee established by the board to administer a scholarship and loan fund is subject to the open meeting requirements of the Brown Act.

Administrative Regulation 5126 - Awards for Achievement

Regulation updated to add eligibility criteria for the Golden State Seal Merit Diploma which had been removed while the criteria were in flux. Regulation also adds eligibility criteria for the State Seal of Biliteracy and reflects **NEW LAW (SB 98, 2020)** which authorizes the Superintendent of Public Instruction to provide alternative criteria for students on track to graduate in 2020 or 2021 who were not able to take the English Language Proficiency Assessments for California or who did not receive a letter grade in English language arts due to COVID-19, and waives the requirement to take the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress for students who were not able to take the exam. New section on "State Seal of Civic Engagement" includes eligibility criteria, clarifies that the state criteria establish a framework for the development of qualifications based on local contexts, and adds material regarding the provision of insignias.

Board Policy 5141.31 - Immunizations

Policy updated to reflect **NEW LAWS (SB 276, 2019 and SB 714, 2019)** which specify conditions under which a medical exemption is effective. Policy also deletes outdated date regarding immunization requirements for enrollment or advancement to grade 7.

Administrative Regulation 5141.31 - Immunizations

Regulation updated to delete outdated material regarding immunization requirements for enrollment or advancement to grade 7, and to add material regarding immunization records and the California Immunization Registry (CAIR). Regulation also updated to reflect **NEW LAWS (SB 276, 2019 and SB 714, 2019)** addressing medical exemptions, including provisions that (1) medical exemption requests must be made by a licensed physician or surgeon on an electronic, standardized, statewide form developed by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and transmitted using CAIR; (2) a student who has a medical exemption issued prior to January 1, 2020 must be allowed to continue enrollment until the next grade span, except that after July 1, 2021 a student may not be admitted or advanced to grade 7 unless the student has been immunized as required or a medical exemption form has been filed; (3) temporary exemptions cannot exceed one year and all medical exemptions cannot extend beyond the grade span; (4) medical exemptions may be revoked by CDPH if it is determined that the exemption does not meet applicable criteria; (5) a parent/guardian may appeal the revocation of a student's medical exemption to the Secretary of California Health and Human Services; and (6) districts must annually file the written report on the immunization status of new students to CDPH and the local department of public health.

Board Policy/Administrative Regulation 5145.7 – Sexual Harassment

Policy updated to reflect the Director of Pupil Services as PUHSD's Title IX Coordinator.

Administrative Regulation/Exhibit 5145.71 – Title IX Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedure

Policy updated to reflect the Director of Pupil Services as PUHSD's Title IX Coordinator.