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TO: SCHOOLS LEGAL SERVICE CLIENTS

FROM: KRISTI FUNDERBURK

DATE: AUGUST 9, 2024

RE: ANNUAL NOTICE TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS (2024-2025)

We're sorry to send another correction to the Annual Notice, but we were just informed by Kern County Public Health that a physical exam will no longer be required prior to enrolling in school. See the attached letter from the Department of Health Care Services. Below you will find replacement language for the section entitled "Comprehensive Health Screening" with the following:

Health Screening and Proof of Oral Health Assessment (E.C. section 49452.8)

Good health, including good oral health, is important to your child's learning and successful academic career. Students are recommended, but not required to have a comprehensive health screening within 18 months prior to each child entering the first grade or within 90 days thereafter. State law requires that every student must have a dental check-up (assessment) by May 31st of his/her first year in public school. The parent must present evidence of having received an oral health assessment by a licensed dentist, or other licensed or registered dental health professional operating within his or her scope of practice, that was performed no earlier than 12 months before the date of the initial enrollment of the pupil. If you are unable to get a dental check-up for your child, fill out the separate Waiver of Oral Health Assessment Requirement Form. These services may be available to you at no cost with Children's Presumptive Eligibility through the Department of Health Care Services. To learn more visit <https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/> and search for "children's presumptive eligibility".

Spanish Version

Examen de Salud Integral (sección 49452.8 del C.E.)

La buena salud, incluida la buena salud bucal, es importante para el aprendizaje y la exitosa carrera académica de su hijo. Se recomienda, pero no es obligatorio, que los estudiantes se sometan a un examen de salud integral dentro de los 18 meses anteriores a que cada niño ingrese al primer grado o dentro de los 90 días posteriores. La ley estatal requiere que cada estudiante debe tener un chequeo dental (evaluación) antes del 31 de mayo de su primer año en la escuela pública. El padre debe presentar evidencia de haber recibido una evaluación de salud bucal realizada por un dentista autorizado u otro profesional de salud

dental autorizado o registrado que opere dentro de su ámbito de práctica, que se haya realizado no antes de 12 meses antes de la fecha de inscripción inicial de el alumno. Si no puede realizar un chequeo dental para su hijo, complete el formulario de Exención de requisito de evaluación de salud bucal por separado. Estos servicios pueden estar disponibles para usted sin costo con Children's Presumptive Eligibility a través del Departamento de Servicios de Atención Médica. Para obtener más información, visite <https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/> y busque “elegibilidad presunta de niños”.

Attachments:

Model Annual Notice, Revised August 2024

Child Health and Disability Prevention Program Transition Joint Letter