

LIBERTYVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

District No. 70
Libertyville, Illinois

March 20, 2017

BOARD REPORT NO. 7.2

APPROVAL OF BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 7:260

Board Report No. 7.2 seeks formal approval of changes to the following Board of Education Policy, subsequent to its first reading on February 27, 2017:

7:260 – STUDENTS: Exemption from Physical Education

ROLL CALL VOTE:

POSSIBLE MOTION:

I move that the Board of Education approve Board Policies 7:260 – Exemption from Physical Education, as it appears in Board Report No. 7.2, Exhibit A.

Students

Exemption from Physical Education

In order to be excused from participation in physical education for periods up to three consecutive student attendance days, a student must present an appropriate excuse from his or her parent/guardian or a person licensed under the Medical Practice Act. The excuse may be based on medical or religious prohibitions.

In order to be excused from participation in physical education for periods exceeding three consecutive student attendance days, a student must present an appropriate excuse as follows:

1. An excuse because of medical reasons must include a signed statement from a person licensed under the Medical Practice Act that corroborates the medical reason for the request.
2. An excuse based on religious reasons must include a signed statement from a member of the clergy that corroborates the religious reason for the request.

Special activities in physical education will be provided for a student whose physical or emotional condition, as determined by a person licensed under the Medical Practice Act, prevents his or her participation in the physical education course.

State law prohibits the Board from honoring parental excuses based upon a student's participation in athletic training, activities, or competitions conducted outside the auspices of the School District.

A student who is eligible for special education may be excused from physical education courses in either of the following situations:

1. He or she (a) is in grades 3-12, (b) his or her IEP requires that special education support and services be provided during physical education time, and (c) the parent/guardian agrees or the IEP team makes the determination; or
2. He or she (a) has an IEP, (b) is participating in an adaptive athletic program outside of the school setting, and (c) the parent/guardian documents the student's participation as required by the Superintendent or designee.

A student requiring adapted physical education must receive that service in accordance with his or her Individualized Educational Program/Plan (IEP).

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain records showing that the criteria set forth in this policy were applied to the student's individual circumstances, as appropriate.

LEGAL REF.: 105 ILCS 5/27-6.
225 ILCS 60/, Medical Practice Act.
23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.420(p) and §1.425(d), (e), (f).

CROSS REF.: 6:60 (Curriculum Content)

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