

**UIL Participation**

A student desiring to participate in the UIL athletic program shall submit to Heritage Academy a statement from a health care provider authorized under UIL rules indicating that the student has been examined and is physically able to participate in the athletic program. This examination is required for the first year of middle school competition and grades 9 and 11 of high school competition. In other years, the student shall complete a medical appraisal form. A student may be required to have a physical examination based on answers to the appraisal form.

**Additional Screening**

Heritage Academy may provide additional screening as school and community resources permit.

**Referrals**

Parents of students identified through screening programs as needing treatment or further examination shall be referred to health agencies as appropriate.

**Notification and Opt-Out**

At the beginning of each school year, parents shall be informed of dates at which time nonemergency, invasive physical examinations or screenings of students may be conducted, including those:

1. Required as a condition of attendance;
2. Administered and scheduled by the school in advance; and
3. Not necessary to protect the immediate health and safety of the student or of other students.

Parents may decline in writing any or all of these examinations.

**Exception**

This policy does not apply to a physical examination or screening permitted or required by applicable state law, including physical examinations or screenings permitted without parental notification.