

1 AN ACT concerning education.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Section  
5 24-5 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/24-5) (from Ch. 122, par. 24-5)

7 Sec. 24-5. Physical fitness and professional growth.

8 (a) In this Section, "employee" means any employee of a  
9 school district, a student teacher, an employee of a contractor  
10 that provides services to students or in schools, or any other  
11 individual subject to the requirements of Section 10-21.9 or  
12 34-18.5 of this Code.

13 (b) School boards shall require of new employees evidence  
14 of physical fitness to perform duties assigned and freedom from  
15 communicable disease, ~~including tuberculosis~~. Such evidence  
16 shall consist of a physical examination ~~and a tuberculin skin~~  
17 ~~test and, if appropriate, an x ray, made~~ by a physician  
18 licensed in Illinois or any other state to practice medicine  
19 and surgery in all its branches, an advanced practice nurse who  
20 has a written collaborative agreement with a collaborating  
21 physician that authorizes the advanced practice nurse to  
22 perform health examinations, or a physician assistant who has  
23 been delegated the authority to perform health examinations by

1 his or her supervising physician not more than 90 days  
2 preceding time of presentation to the board, and the cost of  
3 such examination shall rest with the employee. A new or  
4 existing employee may be subject to additional health  
5 examinations, including screening for tuberculosis, as  
6 required by rules adopted by the Department of Public Health or  
7 by order of a local public health official. The board may from  
8 time to time require an examination of any employee by a  
9 physician licensed in Illinois to practice medicine and surgery  
10 in all its branches, an advanced practice nurse who has a  
11 written collaborative agreement with a collaborating physician  
12 that authorizes the advanced practice nurse to perform health  
13 examinations, or a physician assistant who has been delegated  
14 the authority to perform health examinations by his or her  
15 supervising physician and shall pay the expenses thereof from  
16 school funds.

17 (c) School boards may require teachers in their employ to  
18 furnish from time to time evidence of continued professional  
19 growth.

20 (Source: P.A. 94-350, eff. 7-28-05.)

21 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
22 becoming law.