

## **Reviewer Checklist: Legal Issues in School Health Articles**

				Overall/General Considerations
□ Yes	□ No	□ Not	□ Not	Does the article address legal issues associated with the health of
		Sure	Applicable	children in school?
□ Yes	□ No	□ Not	□ Not	Is the <i>Journal of School Health</i> the right place to publish this
		Sure	Applicable	article?
□ Yes	□ No	□ Not	□ Not	Is the topic especially timely?
		Sure	Applicable	
□ Yes	□ No	□ Not	□ Not	Is the article clearly and concisely written?
		Sure	Applicable	
□ Yes	□ No	□ Not	□ Not	Is the article well organized?
		Sure	Applicable	
□ Yes	□ No	□ Not	□ Not	Does the article make a valuable contribution to the literature?
		Sure	Applicable	
□ Yes	□ No	□ Not	□ Not	Is the article written for a general audience (are legal concepts
		Sure	Applicable	described and are jargon or technical terms explained or avoided)?
□ Yes	□ No	□ Not	□ Not	If not of sufficient quality, can the paper be revised to become
		Sure	Applicable	acceptable?
				Title
□ Yes	□ No	□ Not	□ Not	Is the title concise, specific, and informative?
		Sure	Applicable	
				Introduction
□ Yes	□ No	□ Not	□ Not	Does the introductory literature review frame the area of research?
		Sure	Applicable	
□ Yes	□ No	□ Not	□ Not	Does the introduction discuss prior and related work?
		Sure	Applicable	
□ Yes	□ No	□ Not	□ Not	If a controversy or inconsistency in the literature exists, is it
		Sure	Applicable	described?
□ Yes	□ No	□ Not	□ Not	Is the purpose of the article well defined?
		Sure	Applicable	
				Literature Review
□ Yes	□ No	□ Not	□ Not	Are the methods to used to identify, select, and summarize the
		Sure	Applicable	literature described?
□ Yes	□ No	□ Not	□ Not	Are subheadings appropriate to the theme of the manuscript used?
		Sure	Applicable	
				Discussion
□ Yes	□ No	□ Not	□ Not	Are the importance and meaning of the findings explained?
		Sure	Applicable	
□ Yes	□ No	□ Not	□ Not	Are subheadings (where appropriate) used to guide readers?
	1	Sure	Applicable	

□ Yes	□ No	□ Not	□ Not	Are the discussion and conclusions adequately supported by the
		Sure	Applicable	article's findings or arguments?
□ Yes	□ No	□ Not	□ Not	Does the article provide insights into how the findings or
		Sure	Applicable	conclusions can be applied?
□ Yes	□No	□ Not	□ Not	Does the article uncover and discuss any unresolved issues?
		Sure	Applicable	
□ Yes	□ No	$\square$ Not	□ Not	Are any limitations of the methods adequately described?
		Sure	Applicable	
				Visuals
□ Yes	□ No	□ Not	□ Not	Are visuals (such as tables, graphs, or figures) clear, accurate, and
		Sure	Applicable	complete?
$\square$ Yes	$\square$ No	$\square$ Not	□ Not	Are any additional tables, graphs, or figures needed?
		Sure	Applicable	
$\square$ Yes	$\square$ No	$\square$ Not	□ Not	Should any tables, graphs, or figures be deleted because of
		Sure	Applicable	redundancy with the text?
				References
$\square$ Yes	$\square$ No	$\square$ Not	□ Not	Are references relevant and up to date?
		Sure	Applicable	
□ Yes	□ No	$\square$ Not	□ Not	Are the references the original source of the information?
		Sure	Applicable	
□ Yes	□ No	□ Not	□ Not	When original thoughts or ideas are not those of the authors, are
		Sure	Applicable	appropriate citations provided?
				Abstract
□ Yes	□No	□ Not	□ Not	Does the abstract reflect the content of the article?
		Sure	Applicable	
□ Yes	□No	□ Not	□ Not	Is the abstract structured (Background, Methods, Results, and
		Sure	Applicable	Conclusion)?