Except as provided herein, no person shall be initially employed by the district in an academic or classified position unless the person has within the last 60 days submitted to a tuberculosis risk assessment developed by the State Department of Public Health and the California Tuberculosis Controllers Association and if risk factors are present, an examination to determine that they are free of active tuberculosis, by a physician and surgeon licensed under the California Business and Professions Code. This examination shall consist of an X-ray of the lungs, or an approved intradermal tuberculin test, that, if positive, shall be followed by an X-ray of the lungs. This examination is a condition of initial employment and the expense shall be borne by the applicant.

The X-ray may be taken by a competent and qualified X-ray technician if the X-ray is subsequently interpreted by a physician and surgeon licensed under the Business and Professions Code.

The superintendent/president or designee, may exempt, for a period not to exceed 60 days following termination of the pregnancy, a pregnant employee from the requirement that a positive intradermal tuberculin test be followed by an X-ray of the lungs.

Thereafter, employees who are skin test negative, or were not tested because of a lack of risk factors, are required to undergo the foregoing tuberculosis risk assessment and, if risk factors exist, examination at least once each four years upon recommendation of the local health officer for so long as the employee remains skin test negative. Once an employee has a documented positive skin test that has been followed by an X-ray, the foregoing tuberculosis risk assessments and examinations shall no longer be required and referral shall be made within thirty days of completion of the examination to the local health officer to determine the need for follow up care.

If risk factors were present at the tuberculosis risk assessment ce with its creed, tenets, or principles e of religion and that to the best of their tuberculosis. If at any time there should