



# Notes from the School Nurse

## New Consent Policy

Each student must have a consent form signed by the parents prior to receiving any school health services. This includes, but is not limited to, assessing/observing visible signs of illness and providing appropriate care, first aid, age-appropriate health and nutrition education, and participation in developing Individual Healthcare Plans or Emergency Action Plans. As a parent, if you choose to not sign the consent form or decline school health services, then you will receive a phone call from the school anytime your child requests or needs to be seen by the nurse. However, your child will still be cared for in any emergency situation.

Our goal is to have all parents sign the School Health Services consent form. We want to continue to provide your child with the best education possible, and participation in the school health services program is a part of that.

## Medication Policy

In order for any student to receive medication during school hours, the parent or guardian must provide the medication and written permission. Medication must be brought to the front office or health room by the parent. The medication must be in its **original container** and **labeled** with the student's name. Staff working in the health room can only give medicine brought in by the parent, and the parent has to give written permission. Medication to be given more than 2 weeks will require a physician's authorization. Please do not allow your student to carry medication on them or in their backpack.

## Allergies

The school nurse needs to know if your child has a food allergy or any other allergy. Your child's school team will work together to keep your child safe and healthy at school.



Keep contact numbers updated! It is very important that the health room has a way to contact you at all times. Please make sure that the emergency contact person on record at the school is aware that they may be called in case the school nurse is unable to reach you.

Do not send your student to school sick. If your child has diarrhea or vomiting, please keep them home. Students who have had a fever (100.0 F or above) need to remain at home until they have been fever free for 24 hours without Tylenol or Motrin.

