
NURSING SERVICES

School Nurse – School Health Services Assistant

A School Health Services Assistant will be in the health office 5 days a week. The HSA will contact parents regarding illness and injuries that occur during the school day. All HAS are CPR/First Aid certified. School nurses are on campus for the following services:

- Mandated vision and hearing tests.
- Complete special education health assessments.
- Ensure immunizations are compliant with state law.
- Provide health education resources for school staff.
- Maintain student health records.
- Contact parents regarding health problems and/or excessive absences.
- Communicate with primary health care providers regarding individual health issues and potential impact on education.

First Aid, Illness, Injuries

- If a student is injured or ill at school he/she will receive every care and consideration.
- Parents will be contacted for serious injury or illness.
- School nurse is available to consult parents with regarding health problems at parent request.
- After extended illness or injury students should follow up with school nurse.
- Injuries and illnesses occurring at home should be cared for at home.
 - Upon student's return to school parents are to provide documentation from health care providers indicating any limitations or special considerations/equipment necessary to the student's continued care at school.

LICE

Clovis Unified School District operates on a NO NIT policy.

Students will be sent home if evidence of lice is found.

Students may not returned until treatment has been completed and hair/scalp are free from nits and lice.

Students must check with health office before returning.

Class checks are no longer part of district policy.

Reasons to keep students home:

Fever 100.0F or great within 24 hours

Illness affecting child's ability to learn

Vomiting/Diarrhea

Starting taking antibiotics within 24 hours

Sore throat, especially with headache and/or upset stomach (these are symptoms of strep throat).

RETURN TO SCHOOL

Students should be symptom free for 24 hours prior to returning to school. This includes fever, vomiting, diarrhea, cough, etc.

Student should have a complete 24 hours of antibiotic treatment prior to returning to school (if treated with antibiotics).

MEDICATIONS

ALL medications (even over the counter medications including Tylenol, Advil, cough drops, inhalers, etc.) must be checked through the nurse's office.

- CA Education Code Section 49423 requires that any medications to be taken at school must be presented with:
 - A written statement from the physician detailing the name of medication, amount, method and time medication is to be taken.
 - A written statement from the parent/guardian indicating their desire for the school to assist the pupil in the matters set forth in the physician's statement.
 - Medication must be clearly labeled and sent to school in the original container from the pharmacy.
- The **Medication at school form** is available from the school or on the district web site under Departments – Nursing – Medication at School form.
- The Health office does not keep medication or general student use.

First Grade Physical

California State Law requires that all children entering first grade have a child Health and Disability (CHDP) physical examination within 18 months of beginning first grade. It is necessary to provide the health office with proof of this physical.

Child Protective Services

It is important parents understand that all school personnel are "Mandated Reports" of child abuse. This means that should a staff member have even the slightest suspicion that a child has been abused, they must report it to Child Protective Services (CPS). Failure to reports a suspected case of child abuse leaves a staff member liable and could potentially result in loss of that person's job.

Physical Education Excuse

If a child is to be excused from P.E. for more than a 3 day period, a written note from a doctor is required.

This note should include a specific date for returning to PE and any limitations that might apply.

EMERGENCY CONTACT

In case of an emergency parents will be contacted.

It is very important to keep contact information updated.

If there is a change in contact information please contact the health office to ensure the correct information is on your student's health information card. (Changing information on Parent Connect does not alert or inform the health office.)