

## HEALTH CARE and HEALTH EDUCATION

The Health Office provides service for the health and safety of the school community by providing emergency care, facilitating access to health care, and identifying and managing health issues in the school that inhibit student learning.

Services to provide continuous health care to the students include:

- Providing care and first aid for illness and injury at school. For the safety of your student, please make sure the school is aware of any emergency phone number changes throughout the year.
- Maintaining the school's communicable disease prevention and control program. A student who is ill and absent from school due to a communicable disease must notify the health office before returning to classes. Some diseases require a doctor's release before returning to school.
- Providing health information for students, parents, and staff. Please call your school's health office if you have any questions regarding physical/immunization requirements or medical concerns for your child.
- Safely storing, administering, documenting and monitoring the effectiveness of medication given at school. Prescription and non-prescription medicine to be administered at school must be approved by a physician and brought to school by a parent or guardian.
- Identifying students with special health concerns and developing health care plans with students and families.
- Maintaining accurate records to assure compliance with state mandates including immunizations, physical examinations, and medical conditions.
- Providing health programs as required and needed including screening for vision and hearing .
- Communicating with students, families, and community agencies to identify and provide services to meet physical and mental health needs of children and families.
- Collaborating with school multidisciplinary team of psychologist, social worker, and specialists to identify and provide health information, services, modifications, and plans for students.