



Santa Barbara Unified School District

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HEALTH SERVICES PROGRAM INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

STAFFING

The Santa Barbara Unified School District has 4 FTE credentialed Registered Nurses. These Nurses are responsible for supervising the activities of the Health Assistants and serving the needs of all students on the campuses.

All school Health Offices are staffed by Health Assistants who are trained to render basic first aid, CPR and maintain health and immunization records. They also will contact a parent/guardian when students need to be sent home due to illness or injury. **We do not have the facilities or staff to keep sick children at school.**

EMERGENCIES

In case of a serious injury or other health situation, 911 will be called. We will make every attempt to contact a parent/guardian immediately. **PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU PROVIDE THE SCHOOL WITH UP-TO-DATE TELEPHONE NUMBERS WHERE YOU OR OTHER DESIGNATED ADULTS CAN BE REACHED IN AN EMERGENCY.**

MEDICATION

School staff are not permitted to give any medication, prescribed or over the counter, to students unless we have a medication at school form signed by the parent/guardian **AND** the physician. All medications including inhalers, over-the-counter medications such as Advil, or Tylenol must also be pre-arranged with the Health Assistant and or Nurse and have the appropriate paperwork on file. If your child must take any medication during the school day, please contact the Health Assistant to make the necessary arrangements.

IMMUNIZATION RECORDS

All students must show proof of having received all required immunizations before school entry is permitted. These records are audited and maintained by the Health Assistant. Students found to be out of compliance by law will be excluded until requirements are met.

HEALTH SCREENINGS

Students are periodically examined for vision, hearing, dental, and scoliosis. Parents are notified if any problem is suspected. If you do not wish your child to be screened, please contact the Health Assistant.

REFERRALS

Families needing assistance in determining how and where to obtain health care may contact the Health Assistant for information on community resources.

SPECIAL HEALTH NEEDS

If your child has a particular health condition which requires accommodations please contact the Health Assistant at your child's school. The District Nurse will review the information, make any assessments and inform the appropriate school staff.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION (PE)

The Health Assistant may not excuse any student from PE; a note from an attending doctor or parent is the appropriate way to be excused.