



Health Services Guidelines for Parents

Our full-time nurse will be glad to answer your questions and assist with any health concerns for your child/family. The services we provide are consistent with the mandates of the New York State Education Department and the New York State Department of Health. Please help us in meeting your child's health needs by notifying us of any new medical conditions, treatments, medications, or immunizations.

Health Screening

During the school year, students are screened based on NYS screening guidelines for possible difficulties in the following areas: vision, hearing and Scoliosis (curvature of the spine). Parents will be notified in writing if any problems have been identified from the screenings.

Illness

Please keep your child home for the following reasons:

- **Vomiting** before school or last night and hasn't eaten since.
- Students should not be in school today if they had a **fever** yesterday. They should be fever free for 24 hours without the use of Tylenol/Motrin.
- **Sore throat** with white spots or sore throat and headache, stomachache or fever (strep throat).
- Conjunctivitis: "**Pink Eye**" requires 24 hours of treatment (antibiotic drops) before returning to school.
- **Impetigo**: your child must be receiving antibiotic treatment for 24 hours before returning to school.
- **Ringworm** requires anti-fungal treatment. Please cover the area with a bandage.
- **Onset of a cold**: the child is most contagious in the first 48 hours of sneezing, watery eyes, and runny nose. If your child is not feeling well and has severe cold symptoms, we suggest he or she stay home from school.
- **Lice**: If you suspect your child has lice, please contact the EVCS nurse. We can help with diagnosis and advise you on proper treatment. Your child must be treated before being returning to school.

School Injury/Illness

Parents will be notified of illness or serious injury during school and first aid will be provided by the school nurse.

Please notify the school if you have new work, home or cell phone numbers. If parents cannot be reached, the adults listed on the emergency contact form will be called, if necessary.

Medication

New York State Education Law states that for medication (prescription and over-the-counter) to be administered to a student by school personnel, the following NYS regulations must be followed:

- A written order signed by the student's doctor indicating the name of the medication, frequency, dosage, route of administration, duration, and possible side effects of the medication must be provided.
- Parents must sign the physician order before a medication can be given at school.
- Medication must be brought to school by the parent in the original pharmacy container. **The student cannot bring the medication to school.** Please call the nurse to make arrangements for medication drop-off.
- Your child's medication needs to be picked up by a parent at the end of the school year, or in accordance with New York State regulations, it will be properly discarded.

Required Health Documentation

EVCS requests a current copy (last 12 months) of your child's physical each school year, to include BMI (body mass index) and weight status category.

A dental health certificate is requested annually.

Proof of NYS required immunizations must be provided within 15 days of entering school. Thereafter, you will be notified when proof of updates such as T-dap booster, are required.

EVCS after school Sports

Proof of a physical exam is required for participation in all sports.

All forms can be obtained from the Main Office.

Contact Information:

EVCS Nurse's Office:

Days Park: Ph: 716-886-4581 | Confidential Fax Line: 716-884-0010

Hertel: Ph: 716-424-0555 | Confidential Fax Line: 716-464-3560

