

Notes from the Nurse

School Nurse Contact info:

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HEALTH CONDITIONS

All students need a current Health Information form each school year. Those with any chronic health condition, including asthma, diabetes, seizures, or other medical diagnoses, or food allergies—especially those requiring emergency inhalers or Epi Pens (epinephrinea)—should have a current medical management plan on file at the school. Also, please complete a new medication permission form for the current school year.

<u>Medications</u>

Students are **not allowed** to be in possession of any medication (including over-the-counter) at school—with the exception of emergency medications such as inhalers for asthma, and auto injectors for allergic reactions.

All medications—including over-the-counter—require written permission from the health care provider *and* parent. Please be aware--specific sections must be completed to allow students to carry and administer their own (emergency) medication.

*A new permission must be completed each school year. Forms are available in the clinic and office. Please contact the nurse for any assistance needed.

<u>Tdap vaccinations</u>

ATTENTION 6th AND 7th GRADE STUDENTS/PARENTS:

ALL STUDENTS ENTERING THE *<u>SEVENTH*</u> AND HIGHER GRADES ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE ONE DOSE OF TDAP VACCINE FOR SCHOOL ENTRY.

DURING 6TH GRADE: PLEASE FORWARD DOCUMENTATION OF THE VACCINE TO THE SCHOOL AS SOON AS IT IS ADMINISTERED.

**Please contact the nurse with any questions.

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Immunization Information

Oklahoma City-County Health Dept. Locations

OCCHD Gary Cox Partner Building 2700 N.E. 63rd St. Oklahoma City, OK 73111 (405) 419-4200

South Regional Health and Wellness Campus

2149 SW 59th, Suite 104 Oklahoma City, OK 73119 (405) 419-4119

OCCHD - West Clinic 4330 NW 10th Street

Oklahoma City, OK 73107 (405) 419-4150 Hours for all: Mon- Thurs 8am-4pm & Friday 8am-2pm



The American Optometric Association recommends eye exams at least every 2 years for school-aged students. Those children considered at risk for the development of eye and vision problems may need additional testing or more frequent re-evaluation. Details on risk factors can be found on the AOA website. The school nurse can provide *vision screening* on a parent's request; however, a vision screening can't be relied on to provide the same results as a comprehensive eye and vision examination. There are resources available for any parent needing assistance paying for an exam or glasses. Please contact the school nurse for information, or if you have concerns about your child's vision.

~CPR Requirement~

Oklahoma requires training in CPR with handson practice including instruction on the use of an AED (automated external defibrillator) for graduation. Many seniors have completed the requirements. Once completed, we will proceed to offer training for juniors. Instruction will available on several dates. Students should contact their advisory teacher or the nurse for details.