

It is necessary for all students at ISD to have their own personal medical care provider. The Health Center and its staff should not be a substitute for this care. Basic health care will be provided to all students who become ill or injured while at ISD. Parents will be contacted when further care needs to be provided by their family doctor. Please do not use the Health Center as a substitute for your home family doctor!

Please call your child's department secretary if your child will be absent. A doctor's excuse to return to school needs to be provided for any absence due to illness longer than five days, with the exception of chicken pox. A medical release is also needed for any hospital stay or surgery.

Parents will be notified immediately if their child is injured while at school or becomes seriously ill. Parents will be strongly encouraged to pick up their child and transport them for further medical attention. Students are more comfortable with a parent during emergency medical care. In addition, this policy helps avoid possible insurance problems. If this is truly impossible, the Health Center will, based on staff availability, etc., make a decision about the medical attention for your student. The hospital preference for emergencies is Methodist Hospital (special exceptions may consider insurance or specialty physicians). When a child returns to school following a fracture or severe injury, please provide a physician's note of treatment plans and activity restrictions, if they apply, and specify the applicable dates of restriction.

Services. The Health Center needs to be kept up-to-date about any allergies that your child may have to drugs, insects (bees), latex, or foods and the reactions that resulted. Because our Medical Director may see your student in your absence, we need to be aware of any such allergies. Please contact the Health Center if you have any new information about allergies or just want to make sure we are aware of a previous allergy problem.

Please keep the Health Center informed about any medical updates on your child such as allergies, immunizations, medications, illnesses, etc. The phone numbers for the Health Center are: 1-800-715-5602, 317-924-8409 and 317-920-6276 (director's office). All are TTY accessible. Director's office VP - (866) 971-3340 Health Center office VP - (866) 327-0817. The Health Center fax number is 317-920-6270. Fax services are available for physicians to fax orders and other medical information.

The Health Center will provide:

1. administration of medications as ordered by the physician.
2. administration of medical treatments as ordered by the physician.
3. illness and injury assessment; evaluation by staff and nurse practitioner visits.
4. observation of potential abuse/neglect. All staff is to report observations to the designated staff social worker. (Schools are required, by statute, to report suspected incidents. IC 31-6-11-3) vision screening as required by Indiana State law.
5. Ushers Syndrome by referral with parent permission
6. immunization surveillance and monitoring