

## Health Room Services

The Health Room is located on the first floor, room 103, BVM School next to the Main Office. The school nurse, Mrs. Celio may be reached at 215- 673-0235 or via email at [kmcelio@philasd.org](mailto:kmcelio@philasd.org). She will be in BVM school on Tuesdays, alternate Wednesdays, and Fridays.

## Health Information and Medication Administration

### Medication Administration

When possible, medications are to be given at home. Medication will be administered at school only when a student requires medication in school, and the medication cannot be given outside of school hours.

If your child needs to take medication at school for an acute or a chronic illness please have your child's doctor fill out left side of the [Request for Administration of Medication form](#). The parent/guardian should fill out the right side of the form and sign. Medication, and medical supplies must be sent in the original packaging provided by the pharmacist with the proper label. When these requirements are met a student may receive the medication in school. This process is the same when the medication is an over the counter medication. The medicine is to be dropped off at school by a responsible adult. Students are not permitted to carry medication to, from or in school, unless it is an emergency medication that has been authorized to be self-carried by the primary care provider.

It is always important for students to have emergency medications such as Albuterol and Epinephrine available in school . It is impossible to predict when a student may need these treatments. These types of medications should be available for any child who has a history of needing them in the past. Physicians typically provide prescriptions for use at school and for use at home.

### School Nurse

During the school year your school nurse:

- 1) Reviews required kindergarten and sixth grade physicals and kindergarten, third and seventh grade physicals.
- 2) State mandated immunizations,
- 3) Monitors and develops school health plans for students with chronic illnesses,

6) Conducts screenings for growth, vision, and hearing at designated time.

7) The school nurse may also see students for acute illnesses or injuries, which occur during the school day. Students visiting the school nurse must have a pass from the classroom teacher.

**\*\*\*Please note: We are not permitted to send ill or injured children home alone; an adult must pick them up. Please identify at least 2 responsible adults for this task, in the event you are not able to pick your child up from school.**

#### Health Care and Behavioral Health Services

The school nurse may assist families seeking information regarding local primary health care providers or [health insurance](#) for their child. If a child needs counseling or behavioral health services, please contact Member Services at the phone number on the back of the child's insurance card.

#### Parent/Guardian Responsibilities for Students' Health Requirements:

- Provide results of recent physical examination in Kindergarten and 7th grade or upon transfer into BVM school.
- Provide most recent immunization history and update immunizations as required by mandates.
- Complete the [Student Emergency/Medical Information form](#) annually.
  1. Update emergency contacts when they change, if your child is ill or injured, we need to be able to contact you as quickly as possible. We are not permitted to send ill or injured children home alone, someone must pick them up, please identify 2 responsible adults for this task in the event you are not able to pick your child up at school.
  2. This form also contains a provision if you would like your child to receive the standing order for acetaminophen or ibuprofen for occasional headaches or discomforts. Please check the appropriate boxes on the form if you want your child to have these medications when needed and ensure that this form is returned to the school nurse.
- Provide medication, supplies and written provider authorization ([Medication Administration Form](#)) when a student requires medication or treatment in school. Emergency medications such as Albuterol and Epinephrine are especially important to have available in school. It is impossible to predict when a student may need these treatments. These types of medications should be available for any child who has a history of needing them in the past.
- Ensure that your child receives follow up care at an appropriate provider when notified of a vision, hearing, or growth screen failure.