

**Orchard Hill Elementary School
SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES**

PLEASE RETAIN AT HOME FOR REFERENCE

1. ABSENCES- To report an absence please call the school absence line before the start of classes. Please state the reason for the absence including symptoms. You will be called at work or home if your child is absent and the school has not been notified.

2. FIRST AID- In case of an accident or sudden illness, school care will consist of immediate temporary treatment.

3. ILLNESS/CONTAGIOUS DISEASE- When your child is ill at school you or your designee will be requested to furnish transportation home. For a communicable/contagious disease a doctor's note will be required for re-entry. Children must be fever free and/or on antibiotics for 24 hours before returning to school.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION RESTRICTIONS- After missing PE for more than 3 days, a doctor's note will be required stating the diagnosis and length of time the student is to be excused.

4. MEDICATIONS-PLEASE FOLLOW THESE PROCEDURES FOR MEDICATIONS IN SCHOOL:

- a. All medication must be in a prescription bottle and kept in the Nurse's Office
- b. Parents must sign a permission form every year, for medication to be given.
- c. Parents must bring the medication to school and give it to the nurse.
- d. Any medication not picked up at the end of the school year will be discarded.
- e. The only medications students may carry are inhalers and emergency epipens following state guidelines. Parents and physicians must complete certain forms. The form can be obtained from the school nurse.
- f. **TYLENOL/ADVIL MUST BE PROVIDED BY THE PARENT AND KEPT IN NURSE'S OFFICE.** A permission form must be completed.
- g. Over the counter medications will be administered following the same procedures as prescription medications. Any dosage over the recommended amount will require a physician's order.

5. SCREENINGS- The following screenings are performed annually.

- a. Height/Weight/Vision- ALL GRADES
- b. Color perception-grade 2 and new students
- c. Hearing- K through 6, 8, 10
- d. Tuberculosis- The Mantoux test is required for all students transferring and/or living in a high incidence country prior to entering school. The school nurse will contact parents of children who are in need of the test.
- e. Scoliosis- grades 4,6,8,10,12
- f. Physical Exam- All Kindergarten students and transfer students must have an exam within the year of entering school. All students wishing to participate in a sport must have an exam within 365 days of starting the sport.

PLEASE CALL THE SCHOOL NURSE IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THESE POLICIES.