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**2024-2025**

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Your child’s school offers school health services to enrolled students. These services are made possible through an agreement between the Monroe County School District and the Florida Department of Health- Monroe. Some of the services are mandated by Florida Statutes.

Your school has a nurse and/or a health support specialist that works in the school health room. It is important to understand that the clinic staff is not always at the school when it is open. It is also very important to remember that *“School Health services SUPPLEMENT, rather than replace”* *the routine health care your child receives from a parent and/or your physician. \*FS381.0056(2)*

Here is a generalized list of health services available:

* First Aid for minor injuries/accidents/illnesses
* Immunization status and health history review
* Vision/hearing/dental/height/weight/BMI/scoliosis screenings for specific grade levels
* Assistance with administration of doctor ordered medications. Even over the counter medications require a prescription and a signed parent permission slip.
* Assistance with minor, complex, or chronic health conditions and/or doctor ordered procedures

Please complete the attached STUDENT HEALTH HISTORY form and return it to the school health staff. The form has two important purposes-

It informs the health staff of the presence of any health concern AND supplies the health staff with contact information so we can reach you, especially in the case of an emergency. This form is required for your child to be seen in the clinic.

If you do NOT want your child to receive school health services, you MUST notify the school in WRITING. Please do not hesitate to contact your school health staff for any questions or concerns you have regarding your child’s health.

Sincerely,

Your School Health Staff