Eanes ISD SCHOOL NURSE FAQs

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EMERGENCIES

If your child is injured or sick, we want to reach you quickly! We have two important requests:



- 2. Add several emergency contacts in Skywa<u>rd Family Access</u> who can text you, even if they live out of town.

IMMUNIZATION RECORDS

Call your doctor to find out if your child's shots are up to date. Turn in your records ASAP. You will not receive teacher placement notification and your child cannot start school until his/her record meets state immunization requirements.

ATTENDANCE & ABSENCES A doctor's note is required for absences lasting longer than 3 consecutive days. Elementary school: Log in to the SmartTag Parent Portal to enter absences, late arrivals, and early pickups. Middle & high school: Submit an email to School Attendance or a written note when your child returns. No phone calls.

WHEN CAN MY CHILD RETURN TO SCHOOL?

- FEVER: When fever-free (< 100°F) for 24 hours without the use of fever-suppressing medication.
- **VOMITING:** When able to tolerate food without recurrent vomiting, typically 24 hours after the last episode.
- DIARRHEA: When diarrhea-free for 24 hours without the use of diarrhea-suppressing medication.
- COVID-19: Please notify the school nurse. She will provide return-to-school criteria according to EISD COVID protocol.
- COMMON COLD: When fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-suppressing medication.
- STREP THROAT: When on antibiotics for 24 hours and fever-free for 24 hours without fever-suppressing medication.
- FLU: When fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-suppressing medication.
- PINK EYE (viral/bacterial conjunctivitis): A doctor's note is required unless the child is symptom-free.
- LICE: When the school nurse re-checks the student after treatment and confirms the absence of live lice.
- SEVERE CONGESTION AND FATIGUE (without fever): Rest at home until well enough for a full day of learning.
- SYMPTOMS THAT DEVELOP OVERNIGHT: Keep at home until symptoms improve to avoid the risk of exposing others.

MEDICATIONS

- Students in KG-8th grade are not allowed to bring medications to school unless prior-authorized for asthma, anaphylaxis, or diabetes. High school students may self-carry over-the-counter (not prescription) medications.
- A parent/guardian must complete an EISD Medication Permission Form and bring medication to the school nurse unless a parent/guardian has given prior written consent for the medication during verification of enrollment (VOE).
- A physician signature is required if the medication will be kept in the clinic longer than 2 weeks.
- There is no "stock" Tylenol or Motrin for students.
- Medications must be unexpired, in original containers, with medication name, dose, and instructions on the label.
- Do not bring medication in baggies. Pharmacists will label an extra prescription bottle for school if you ask.
- The school nurse will pack your child's medications for field trips.
- Unclaimed medications will be disposed of on the last day of school as required by state law. Set a reminder.

HEALTH CONDITIONS Asthma, Anaphylaxis, Diabetes, Seizures, Heart conditions, Cystic Fibrosis, Eczema, etc.

- Please notify the school nurse if your child has a chronic health condition or significant medical or surgical history.
- Ask your child's physician to sign a Care Plan for Asthma, Diabetes, Seizures, and/or Anaphylaxis every summer.
- Bring your child's Care Plan and medications to the school nurse before the first day of school, if possible.

DIETARY RESTRICTIONS A parent must complete a **NEW** Dietary Restriction Form. The school nurse cannot do it for you.

- <u>Dietary Restriction Form</u> for food allergies, medical food restriction, food intolerance, religious accommodation, etc.
- Contact Dietician Charlotte Hachenberg if you have any questions: 512-732-9060 ext. 20551

PE EXCUSE

Contact the school nurse to request a PE excuse. A doctor's note is required if a student will miss > 3 days of PE.

