

SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES

One Registered Nurse serves this school district. When the nurse is not on campus, the campus secretary or other designated school personnel will care for emergencies. Consent for medication, asthma action plans, and emergency forms must be signed and updated each year by parents/guardians and physicians. Detailed health records, consisting of immunizations, height, weight, blood pressure, vision, hearing, scoliosis, ANTES, and other related medical information are maintained for each student.

ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION DURING SCHOOL HOURS:

The district policy allows the school nurse and designated school employees to administer medication to students during school hours should medication be necessary to keep a student in optimum health and to maintain maximum school performance. The following conditions must be met:

1. A written request from the parent/guardian to administer the medication must accompany the medication in the original container, be properly labeled with current expiration date, and provided by the parent/guardian.
2. All medication brought to school by the students must be presented to the office when the student arrives at school. The school nurse will supervise the storage and dispensing of the medication.
3. A physicians written request is required if the medication is given more than ten (10) days.
4. **The school does not provide any medication.** Only medication provided by and requested by the parent/guardian will be dispensed with the exception of herbal or dietary supplements, which will not be administered by school personnel.
5. School personnel will **NOT** administer medications prescribed by a physician not licensed in the United States or purchased outside the United States.
6. The school nurse should be notified of any medications that a student takes at home on a daily basis.

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

Parents of a student with a communicable or contagious disease are asked to telephone the school nurse/principal so that other students who have been exposed to the disease can be alerted. Students with certain diseases are not allowed to come to school while the disease is contagious. These diseases include (but are not limited to):

*Campylobacteriosis	*Influenza	*Salmonellosis
*Chicken Pox	*Measles (Rubeola)	*Scabies
*Diphtheria	*Meningitis, Viral	*Scarlet Fever
*Fever (100.4 F or Greater)	*Staph infection	*Shigellosis
*Gastroenteritis, Viral	*Mumps	*Streptococcal Sore Throat
*Head Lice	*Pink eye (conjunctivitis)	
*Hepatitis, Viral, Type A	*Polio	*TB, Pulmonary
*Impetigo	*Rubella	*Whooping Cough

Students with AIDS/HIV infection shall be excluded when the child's physician determines that a severe or chronic skin eruption or lesion that cannot be covered poses a threat to others.

ILLNESS AT SCHOOL

A student shall report symptoms to the classroom teacher or the office during the school day. Accidents must be reported immediately to the person on duty. When medical attention is required, all students must present a **Health Referral** form completed by the teacher to the nurse's office. The nurse will treat the student, complete the form, and return a copy with the student to take home to the parent/guardian.

IMMUNIZATION

In accordance with suggested minimum standards made by the Texas Education Agency, the following shall apply for the Yorktown ISD. Each child, unless exempt by legal provisions, conscientious objection, or because of religious belief, shall have primary immunization with appropriate "boosters" for tetanus, pertussis, diphtheria, polio, measles, mumps, rubella, varicella, Hepatitis B, Hepatitis A and HIB. Written proof from the family, physician, health department, or other clinic of the required immunizations or history of illness are required and will become part of the permanent health record of the student.

All new students entering Yorktown Independent School District shall fill out a questionnaire regarding tuberculosis status. Any student whose questionnaire indicates that the student meets one or more of the risk conditions of tuberculosis must have a tuberculin test to provide evidence of allergic reaction to the test or present an affidavit, signed by the applicant or, if a minor, by his or her parent or legal guardian, stating that the immunization conflicts with the tenets of a recognized church or religious denomination of which the applicant is an adherent or member. The religious exemption does not apply in times of emergency or epidemic declared by the commissioner of health.

REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS

- #1. DTP/DTaP/DT/Td: Children 4 years of age are required to have five doses of DTP/DtaP vaccine. The fifth dose is not necessary if the fourth dose in the series is given on or after the fourth birthday. Pediatric diphtheria-tetanus (DT) vaccine is an acceptable substitute for DTP/DtaP vaccine if pertussis vaccine is medically contraindicated. One dose of DTP, DtaP, DT, or TD is required within the last ten years.
- #2. Polio: A minimum of 3 doses, with at least one dose having been received after the 4th birthday. Children who received two doses of inactivate poliovirus (IPV) followed by two doses of oral poliovirus vaccine (OPV) prior to their fourth birthday do not require one dose of polio vaccine on or after their fourth birthday.
- #3. MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella): One dose of vaccine must have been received on or after the first birthday.
- #4. Measles (Rubeloa) or second MMR: Two (2) doses of measles vaccine are required for all students age 5 years and older who are born on or after September 1, 1991.
- #5. Hib (Haemophilus Influenzae Type b): One dose is required for children age 15 months through 4 years of age.
- #6. Hepatitis B: three (3) doses of Hepatitis B vaccine are required for all students

age 4 years and older.

- #7. TB Skin Test (Tuberculosis): Students must submit a completed questionnaire signed by parent or legal guardian.
- #8. Varicella Vaccine: Effective 8-1-09, all students entering kindergarten and 7th grade will be required to have 2 doses of varicella vaccine or to present documentation of previous varicella illness (chickenpox) by month and year by either physician or parent. Further grades will be phased into the requirement annually.
- #9. Hepatitis A: Effective 8-01-09, a series of two (2) vaccines is required for all students entering kindergarten (statewide).
- #10. Pneumococcal conjugate (PCV) All students enrolling in pre-kindergarten will be required to start the series of immunizations prior to 9-1-05.
- #11. Meningococcal: Effective 8-01-09, all students entering 7th grade will be required to have one dose.

SCHOOL HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL (SHAC)

For information regarding the District's School Health Advisory Council(S.H.A.C.), including the number of meetings scheduled or held during the year, please see the school nurse. Information regarding vending machines in District facilities and student access to the machines is available from the principal of each campus.

The District and its staff strictly enforce prohibitions against the use of tobacco products by students and others on school property or at school-sponsored or school-related activities. See the Student Code of Conduct and policy GKA.

ACCIDENT INSURANCE

Under state law, the District cannot pay for medical expenses associated with a student's injury. The District does make available an optional, low-cost accident insurance program for students to assist parents in meeting medical expenses.