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**LISD STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES
PARENT INFORMATION**

The Health Services Department has a variety of responsibilities including direct care of the ill or injured, control of communicable disease, and providing a broad range of appraisal, educational and health counseling services. Registered nurses provide or supervise routine and special services.

HEALTH APPRAISAL AND SCREENING:

Vision & Hearing is routine for new students and grades EC, K, 1, 3, 5, & 7 and by referral. Screening for Acanthosis Nigricans is routine for grades 1, 3, 5 & 7. Screening for Spinal, Respiratory, Blood Pressure, Dental, Growth, Neurological, Skin, Scalp, Color Vision, Eye, & Ear, problems may also occur.

MEDICATIONS, TREATMENTS, AND PROCEDURES: Information and minimum requirements

The parent or guardian must always provide:

A written request and information including Student Name, Name of Drug, Date, Instructions, & Signature
Permission for the RN and legal prescriber to consult if requested

The prescribing physician or other legal prescriber:

Must have prescriptive authority in the State of Texas

Provide an annual written order and signature for some requests (consult your school nurse for clarification)

All medications (and treatments or therapies):

Must be current, in the original container, and labeled with the student's name and the name of the drug

Must be approved by and consistent with FDA recommendations (refer to PDR) or standards of care

Must be prescribed for or necessary for administration during school hours

Over-the-counter medications will require a prescription from a State of Texas legal prescriber after 5 days

Injections must be essential for the safety or well-being of the student. Allergy shots will not be given

Indications & directions in Physicians' Desk References will be used as guidelines for administration of meds

School employees will:

Give the med or therapy at the least disruptive time as close to the prescribed schedule as possible

Not administer a drug or therapy if it is contraindicated or without appropriate information and permission

The following types and categories of drugs and therapies will not be administered:

Vitamin and nutritional supplements; experimental medications or therapies; doses in excess of recommended or recognized limits; remedies of unknown content &/or benefit; homeopathic, naturopathic, or herbal remedies; out-of-date medications; medications or therapies prescribed for another individual.

ILLNESS OR INJURY:

CURRENT EMERGENCY NUMBERS ARE ESSENTIAL

School personnel provide temporary care in the absence of a registered nurse

Transportation is not available other than that usually provided

Emergency Medical Services will be called if indicated

The LISD is not responsible for the cost of medical, dental, or emergency care

Attendance is not permitted when: The severity of the condition contraindicates attendance; or with Evidence of communicable disease; or with Vomiting, Diarrhea, Rashes, or Temp of 100.4 F or more

IMMUNIZATIONS: The school nurse must approve any exceptions to requirements.

Physician, school, or health dept. records are acceptable proof of immunizations.

Texas State Law requires current and age appropriate immunization for:

Diphtheria, Pertussis, Tetanus, Polio, Measles, Rubella, Mumps, Haemophilus, Hepatitis B, & Varicella Vaccine or a history of chicken pox, Hepatitis A, and Pnuemococcal Vaccines

Tuberculosis testing is required for students entering from any foreign country
Medical and Conscientious exemptions have special rules

EDUCATION COUNSELING AND REFERRAL:

Parental permission is sought for educational programs of a sensitive nature
Confidential information is shared with school staff on a need-to-know basis
The nurses teach students essentials of care and prevention during visits