



A LETTER FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Welcome to Scottsdale Unified School District.

Some of the services school nurses provide are: first aid, assessment and care of sick children, medication administration, health counseling and education, immunization tracking, and annual vision and hearing screening. Office hours vary based on school hours and are posted on your school website. The nurse's office can be accessed by telephone through your main office number.

Please keep in mind some basic Scottsdale Unified School District policies and procedures:

The Health History/Medical Emergency form needs to be completed on all SUSD students at the start of the school year. This is an important form listing medical conditions, medications, allergies and contact phone numbers. Please keep your school nurse informed of changes in health status throughout the school year. We invite you to stop by and introduce yourself and your child to your school's nurse especially children with chronic conditions such as asthma, allergies, diabetes, seizures, and ADHD.

Students need to be vaccinated prior to starting school. The immunizations required by the Arizona Department of Health are DPT, Polio, MMR, Hepatitis B, and Varicella (chicken pox). Please update the health office as your child receives vaccinations.

All medications given at the school need to be provided by parents. Medications need to be brought to the health office by you in a **new** and **original** container. Please do not send medications to school with your child (including over-the-counter items like cough drops). A medication administration form must be completed and signed for **all** medications. Any medicines remaining at the end of the school year that are not picked up will be disposed of.

Sick children need to be at home; well children at school! If your child has a fever greater than 100 degrees F, has frequent diarrhea and/or vomiting, or a constant cough, keep them home for 24 hours after the symptoms disappear. Children should be fever free for 24 hours after the last dose of Motrin or Tylenol. All rashes must be diagnosed by a physician. Please bring the doctor's note to school stating they may return. Please notify your school nurse if your child has a communicable disease such as strep throat, lice, pink eye, or chicken pox.

We look forward to caring for your children during the school day. If you have any question call your school nurse anytime. Wishing you a healthy and safe year!

The Nurses of SUSD