

Student Health Information

Note to Parents: This Boulder Valley School District (BVSD) material informs parents about immunizations, medications, emergency procedures and other student health-related information.

Immunization Requirements:

ALL students entering BVSD schools for the first time must show proof of immunization at registration.

<u>Preschool</u>	<u>Kindergarten through Twelfth Grades</u>
4 DTaP (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis)	* 4 -5 DTaP
3 Polio	1 Tdap (6 th , 7 th , 10 th and 11 th grades only)
1-3 Hib (H. Influenza type B)	* 3 -4 Polio
1 MMR (Measles/Mumps/Rubella)	Hib No requirement
3 Hepatitis B	2 MMR (Measles/Mumps/Rubella)
♥ 1 Varicella (chicken pox)	§ 3 Hepatitis B
	♥ 1-2 Varicella (chicken pox)

(2 required for K & 1st grade; 1 required for 2nd -8th grades)

♥ A laboratory test showing immunity or a disease history from a **health care provider** only is acceptable.

§ Hepatitis B – Students age 11-15: One brand of vaccine requires only a two dose series. Proper documentation is acceptable with brand name, dose and dates.

* Number of doses varies, depending on the age when child received vaccination. For DTP and Polio, the higher number of doses is required for students new to Colorado Schools.

Medical, religious, personal exemptions and proof of immunity are allowed in Colorado. Parental and/or physician signatures are required.

Immunization Clinics:

◆ The following is a schedule of immunization clinics offered through the Boulder County and Broomfield County Public Health Departments. Please call for an appointment. Cost: \$14.00 -\$15.00 per shot but no child will be turned away.

Boulder Public Health Department 3482 North Broadway	Wednesdays	1 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. 303-413-7500
Longmont Public Health Department 529 Coffman Street (second floor) (walk-in or appointment)	Mondays	1 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. 303-678-6171
Broomfield Public Health Department 6 Garden Center (by appointment only)	Tuesdays & Thursdays	8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. 720-887-2200

Physicals:

◆ It is **recommended** that all students entering Kindergarten, 4th, 7th, 10th grade, and all those new to the District, receive a physical examination. Most physicians have the examination report forms in their offices. Please return the form on the first day of school, or as soon as possible.

◆ A **yearly physical is required** for students participating in extracurricular school sports and all students in preschool.

Hearing and Vision Screenings:

◆ Hearing and vision screenings will be held in the fall. The school office can be contacted for the exact date. We need many volunteers to assist with this. Please contact the office or health room staff if you are able to help.

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Health Room Volunteers:

- ◆ We are in need of volunteers to adequately manage the health room functions. First Aid certification from an approved agency is necessary for anyone who will provide care to students. Red Cross classes are offered free of charge for volunteers. First Aid certification is NOT needed to help with only the paperwork in the health room. Please contact your health room or office staff if you are able to help in any way, and would like to receive information regarding training.

Emergency Information:

- ◆ It is extremely important that the **Emergency Information** form be returned to school on the first day. Please complete and sign the entire form. Include information on any medications prescribed for your child, whether or not they are given during the school day. Also describe any health conditions which may affect your child's school routine or performance.
- ◆ It is important that two emergency contacts are listed and let them be aware they are on the list. Be sure to notify the office with any changes in emergency information and phone numbers: both home and work. If your child is ill, he or she may only be released to those listed on the Emergency Information card. If you will be out of town, please inform office staff in writing to report who will be caring for your child in your absence.

Medications in School:

In the Boulder Valley School District, the following guidelines are in place to provide for the safety of all students. Keep in mind that most staff who administer medications to students are non-medical people working under the supervision of a nurse. Please call your school's health room paraprofessional or the District Health Services Office (303-447-5544) with any questions regarding the medication procedures. Boulder Valley students may receive medications at school according to the following procedure:

- **Medications are not to be in the personal possession of students.**
- For all prescription and non-prescription medications, a student's parent or guardian shall make a written request for school personnel to administer medications by providing the completed Medication Administration Authorization form, which is to be *signed by both parent and physician*. A new Authorization form must be signed and submitted for each new prescription medication or each dosage change. These forms are available in the school's health room. Completed forms can be faxed to the school. Authorization forms must be completed each year.
- Medications should always be delivered to the health room staff or office staff by an adult.
- The student must report to the health room or school office to take medications. **EXCEPTION:** Any student who requires the use of an inhaler or EpiPen may carry and self-administer the prescribed medication if the physician signs a specific statement on the Medication Administration Authorization form, endorsing the student's capability for this.
- **Prescription medication supplied by the student's parents or guardian must be in a properly labeled bottle dispensed by a pharmacy.**
- Non-prescription, "as needed" medications must be in the original labeled container. The bottle should also be labeled with the student's name.
- **A photograph of the student should be attached to the completed authorization form. It is the parents' responsibility to supply a current picture (or clear copy) to the health room staff person.**
- **It is the responsibility of the parent to obtain all unused medication from the school when the medication is discontinued, the school year ends, or the student transfers to another school. At the end of a school year, school staff will dispose of all unclaimed medications.**

Parents may always come to school and administer medication to their child.