

Student Health Information

Our school health room is staffed by a health paraeducator trained in First Aid and CPR and is supervised by a district nurse. Children who become sick or injured will be sent to the health room. When fever is present or an injury requires medical attention, parents will be called to pick up their child. Please do not send your child to school with a fever, upset stomach, sore throat, rash or other obvious signs of illness.

Emergency Information

It is extremely important that the **Emergency Information** form be returned to school on the first day. Please complete the entire form including the consent for emergency treatment on the back. Include 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 mandatory that two emergency contacts be listed. 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 the office staff in writing who will be caring for your child in your absence.

Immunization Requirements

All students entering BVSD schools must show proof of immunizations upon registration. The following is the State of Colorado requirements for students entering school.

Grades 1-12

4 DTP (5 if new to Colorado Schools)

3 OPV (4 if new to Colorado Schools)

1 MMR (4th -6th grades)

♥ **2 MMR (Kdg.-3rd grades & 7th-12th grades)**

2 Varicella – chicken pox (2 required for K-4th grade; 1 required for 5th -11th grades)

♥ **3 Hepatitis B (K-12th grades)**

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

♥ Hepatitis B -If new to Colorado, doses must be properly spaced.

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.

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Physicals and Screenings

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

- ♥ Vision and hearing screenings are performed annually for grades Kindergarten – 3rd and 5th grade. New students and special referrals are screened throughout the year. You may request these services by contacting the school nurse or Health Room paraeducator.

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 medication to students are non-medical people working under the supervision of a nurse. Please call your school's health room paraeducator 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. Complete forms can be faxed to the school. Authorization forms must be completed each year.
- ♥ An adult should always deliver medications to the health room or office staff.
- ♥ 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.
- ♥ 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.

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