
NURSING SERVICES

First Aid, Illness, Injuries

- If a student is injured or ill at school, he/she/they will receive every care and consideration.
- Parent(s)/guardian(s) will be contacted for any serious injury or too ill to remain at school.
- School nurse is available to consult with parent(s)/guardian(s) regarding health problems upon request, however, any injuries which occur at home should be cared for at home.
- Parent(s)/guardian(s) should follow up with school nurse for any extended illness or injuries that require needed care or accommodations while at school.

Assistive Devices

- Crutches, wheelchairs, walking boots/shoes, walkers, scooters and casts require a medical note or CUSD School Participation Following Injury/Illness form and physical/academic restrictions for students to attend school. Refer to Ed Code 48213.
- Brace, elastic bandage, sling and splint require a medical note or CUSD School Participation Following Injury/Illness form if the parent(s)/guardian(s) are requesting a PE excuse beyond three (3) days.

RETURN TO SCHOOL

When your student may return to school due to illness:

- Free from fever for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication(s) (Ex. Tylenol or Motrin).
- Vomiting/Diarrhea-student can tolerate liquids and food and/or stools have improved.
- Pink Eye-medical note clearing student of disease or two doses of antibiotics to be given before returning to school.
- Rashes, such as but not limited to impetigo, ringworm, scabies and pinworms-medical note required clearing your student of possible communicable disease or a medical note stating the diagnosis and that appropriate treatment was initiated. Notify the health office.

Reasons to keep your student home:

-Temperature 100.0F or greater within 24 hours

-Illness affects child's ability to learn.

-Vomiting/Diarrhea

-Sore throat-difficulty swallowing or breathing, or continuous drooling

-Cold symptoms-continuous cough, difficulty breathing, uncontrolled wheezing, excessive nasal drainage (excludes seasonal allergies)

-Ear/Eye irritation-redness with drainage, difficulty seeing or hearing, injury, intolerable pain

-Suspected Pink Eye-notify healthcare provider for evaluation and provide medical documentation to the health office

-Rash-worsening, painful, drainage, not healing

-Starting antibiotics within 24 hours

Medication at School- ALL medications, even over the counter medications (including Tylenol, Advil, cough drops, eye drops, essential oils) require a physician order and are reviewed by the school nurse. Medication orders must be updated at the beginning of each school year. The Medication at School form is available in the school health office or on the CUSD website.

<https://cusd.com/HealthForms.aspx>

CA Education Code Section 49423 requires that any medications to be taken at school must be presented with:

- A written statement from the physician detailing the name of medication, amount, method, and time medication is to be taken.
- A written statement from the parent/guardian indicating their desire for the school to assist the pupil in the matters set forth in the physician's statement.
- Medication must be clearly labeled and sent to school in the *original container from the pharmacy*.
- The Health office does not keep medication for general student use.

HEAD LICE

Clovis Unified School District operates on NO LIVE LICE guidelines. Students will be sent home if evidence of live lice is found. Student's must be treated within 48 hours and hair/scalp are free from live lice. Students must be seen in the health office and be cleared to return to class. After 48 hours, absences will be unexcused. Classroom checks are no longer a part of our guidelines. Refer to **Head Lice Guidelines** on the *CUSD Nursing Services website*.

EMERGENCY CONTACT-The health office or school administrator will contact parent(s)/guardian(s) in an emergency due to illness or injury. It is very important the health office has current parent(s)/guardian(s) contact information. If there is a change in your child's emergency contact information, please log into Parent Connect and update your information as soon as possible. Ed Code 49408

Physical Education Excuse

Parent/Guardian Note- Students will be limited to 3 days per quarter for handwritten parental note excusals from PE. A medical note from a healthcare provider will be required after three (3) days.

Medical note: This note should include a diagnosis and specific date for returning to PE, as well as any limitations that might apply. If your child has an injury that requires them to remain out of PE, they will also be held out of recess and sports.

Concussion Protocol

If your child is suspected of having a concussion or has been diagnosed with a concussion, the CUSD Return to Learn-Concussion School Care Plan form needs to be completed by a physician indicating no evidence of a concussion or provide specific academic/physical accommodations, if diagnosed.

If your child's concussion has resolved, a new medical note or the CUSD Return to Learn-Concussion School Care Plan form needs to indicate your student is cleared for full academic/physical participation.