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School Nurse

As your school nurse consultant, Debbie identifies students who have health problems and then collaborates and communicates with parents, school staff and appropriate medical personnel to develop plans that will help students be fully available for learning. Please notify Debbie of any health concerns or needs your students may have.

Health Assistants

The primary Health Assistant at Parker Core Knowledge, is Sara Mundt, who carries out the medical/health duties during the day. Other office staff members help fill this role in the absence of the Health Assistant. The School Nurse provides oversight of the Health Assistants and other office staff who are available each day to respond to the immediate health needs of students. Typically, Health Assistants are not medical professionals or Registered Nurses but are trained by the School Nurse Consultant in health room protocols for the care of sick or injured children who come the health room.



Frequently asked questions for the School Nurse

1. Can my student bring medication to school to take during the day?

PCK follows the DCSD Medication Policy. Here is the link to the policy: [Administering Medication to Students](#) PCK specifically follows the **ELEMENTARY** Medication Policy and all medications are dispensed from the health room for all students K-8. PCK students both in elementary and middle school cannot self-carry medications at school on a routine basis without prior arrangements with the School Nurse.

- 2. What forms do I need to bring to school with medication?** Please go to this link to access the [Medication Release Form](#). Any medication including prescription and over-the-counter medications must have this form completed by your physician. District policy states: *If a student must receive prescription or over the counter medication during school hours, the parent or guardian shall furnish the medication. Prescription medication must be in the original pharmacy labeled container. The label shall state the student's name, medication, dosage, number and/or time(s) of dosages per day and name of the*

prescribing health care provider. Over the counter medication must be in its original packaging.

3. Do you still give students Tylenol if they need it? No, schools no longer give Tylenol at school unless we have a medication release form completed by your physician specifically for your student. As with any Over-The-Counter medication a Student Medication Form is required from your physician.

4. Can you give my student herbals or homeopathic medication? No, the district policy does not allow us to dispense these: *Douglas County School District employees may not administer homeopathic or herbal preparations.*

5. What immunizations are required for school?

This following [LINK](#) provides the immunization schedule for students K-12 for 2019-2020. Students in grades K-12 claiming a NON-MEDICAL EXEMPTION must submit the non-medical exemption form ***each school year*** because all NON-MEDICAL EXEMPTIONS expire June 30 every year. Non-medical exemptions can be claimed by submitting the online form, [ON-LINE NONMEDICAL EXEMPTION FORM](#), (please print for the school), or by submitting the form [NON MEDICAL EXEMPTION FORM](#) directly to school.

6. When does my child need to stay home with illness?

We ask that you keep your students home when they are sick to prevent the spread of illness to other students and staff. This means that if your student has a fever, diarrhea, vomiting, sore throat or other symptoms of illness that they should remain home until they feel better. Please review the DCSD student attendance policy [HERE](#)



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