From the Office of the School Nurse

Katie Paul, BSN, RN, Cambridge Elementary School, 802 W. Water St., Cambridge, WI 53523 Phone-608-423-3261 ext. 4104, email: Cpaul@cambridge.k12.wi.us

Welcome to Cambridge Elementary!

I would like to introduce myself. My name is Katie Paul, the Cambridge School District School Nurse. I work 30 hours Monday-Friday, sharing my time among all of the schools in the district. Please reach out to me if you have any questions or concerns.

Health Histories

A health history form is to be filled out by parents/guardians upon entering Cambridge School District and updated annually in Skyward or if there are any changes. I review all health histories for students attending Cambridge School District and compile health concerns lists for each grade level. This information is shared with staff so that we may better care for your child during their school day. If there are any changes in your child's health, please change the information on Skyward and notify the office or myself at the number above.

Physicals

It is recommended that your child receive a physical when your child starts 4K along with an eye and dental exam as your student begins 4K. Forms for these 3 exams are in the office to take to the clinic for the 4K physical, eye and dental exam. These forms are due upon your child's first day of school. These forms are also sent to you from the school office with registration information. Yearly child physicals are recommended for all grades throughout the district.

Immunizations

By Wisconsin state law, the school is responsible for assuring that all student immunizations are up to date or that a signed waiver is on record for all children within our school buildings. Each parent is responsible for notifying the school in writing of immunizations received. By law, the school is to receive the first date of each vaccine required by the 30th day of school, the second by the 90th day of school and the 3rd and 4th by the 30th day of school the following year. According to the law, failure to notify the school may result in court action and a fine of up to \$25.00 per day of violation by the Dane County District Attorney's office. Your 4K child will need: 4 DTP/DTaP/DT, 3 Polio, 1 MMR, 3 Hepatitis B, and 1 Varicella to start 4K and those starting 5K will need: 4 DTP/DTaP/DT, 4 polio, 2 MMR, 3 Hepatitis B and 2 Varicella vaccines.

Illnesses

Parents are asked to inform the school if your child has been diagnosed by a healthcare practitioner with a communicable disease. We send home notes informing parents of communicable diseases within the classroom without using the child's name. Also, please remember that children, when sick, should be kept at home until they have been 24 hours free (without use of medication) of fever 100 or >, diarrhea/vomiting uncontrolled cough and undiagnosed rash. Those illnesses requiring use of antibiotics must be treated for 24hr, and be fever free prior to coming back to school. An undiagnosed rash will need to be medically evaluated prior to coming to school, as well. A note from the physician should accompany the child upon return to school to verify that the rash is not communicable.

Medication

The school district has a Medication Policy and a letter summarizing its contents for parents/ guardians and students. This is available in the school office or on the school website.

- All medication, for gr. 4K-12, including prescription medications need to be kept in the office (locked cupboard) with the medication form (except emergency medications such as inhalers). These students will then come to the office for the medication dose.
- 2. All medication should be in the original manufacturer's container or pharmacy container when brought to school.
- 3. No medication will be administered to students without the proper forms filled out and in the office.
- 4. The Cambridge School District does not stock any medications in the health rooms unless parents have brought medication to the school to be used for their child.
- 5. There is a separate medication form used for emergency planning for severe allergies, this too is found on our website, as well as,in the school office.

My best wishes to you and your child as they begin their school experience at Cambridge School District.