HEARING AND VISION SCREENINGS

As part of the Student Health Program, we will be performing hearing and vision screenings on students in Kindergarten, 3rd, 7th and 10th grade. If a student has completed these screenings in their entrance physical or sports physical that information will be sufficient to meet the requirements. Only if an entrance physical or sports physical indicates the need for a rescreen will those students be seen again by the school clinic.

If you wish for your child to not participate in these screenings, you must put it in writing, addressed to the school nurse or principal by the end of the 1st week of school. At that time, your child's teacher will be made aware, and your child will not participate on that day. If you have any questions, feel free to contact the school clinic within your child's school.

Hearing and Vision screenings will mainly take place during the month of October. Rescreening will occur within two weeks of the initial screening. If your child does not test within range during the first screening you will be notified for the need to rescreen, if they still do not test within range during the second screening you will then be notified with a request to follow up with a medical provider.

Again, these are just screenings. You as the parent or guardian will be made aware of any possible abnormal findings by letter of referral. You are encouraged then to follow-up with your child's primary care physician. We also ask that a letter of their findings be returned to the school nurse to be placed in your child's school health record.

A permission slip to participate in these screenings will be sent home one week prior to the screenings. The slip should be returned to the school clinic with the parent or guardians' choice for their student to yes, be screened or no, opt-out be clearly checked, signed, and dated. If the slip is not returned by the morning of the screenings permission will be assumed yes and the student will participate.