

Services

MEDICAL

- Primary care, diagnosis and treatment for acute injuries and illness
- Well-child physical examinations & sports and camp physicals
- Immunizations and laboratory tests
- Reproductive health care
- STD and HIV testing and counseling
- Management of chronic health conditions
- Topic-specific groups
- Referrals for specialty care
- Individual, group, classroom health education

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

- Individual, group, and family therapy
- Behavioral health awareness and outreach
- Screening and assessment for behavioral issues
- Crisis prevention and intervention
- Case management and/or referrals
- Student and/or family support groups

Healthy Kids Make Better Learners

Branford School Based Health Centers

BRANFORD HIGH SCHOOL
185 East Main Street
203.315.6727

WALSH INTERMEDIATE
185 Damascus Road
203.315.3533

MARY T. MURPHY ELEMENTARY
14 Brushy Plain Road
203.488.4151

MARY R. TISKO SCHOOL
118 Damascus Road
203.483.1826

*Only behavioral health services offered

JOHN B. SLINEY SCHOOL
12 EADES STREET
203.481.5386

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What are School Based Health Centers?

A School Based Health Center (SBHC) is a health clinic in a school that offers students who enroll in our clinics confidential primary and urgent healthcare, counseling, and health education at no out-of-pocket cost to the student or family.

Enrolled students can receive primary care such as: flu shots or immunizations, an annual physical exam, and treatment or medication when they are sick or hurt during school. They may also speak to a social worker in a safe, nurturing, and familiar place during the school day. Locations are:

- Branford High School
- Walsh Intermediate
- Mary T. Murphy Elementary

* MRT and JBS only offer behavioral health services at this time*

Who works in the SBHC?

Our SBHCs are staffed by licensed clinicians from Yale-New Haven Hospital and Fair Haven Community Health Care. Branford SBHCs have a nurse practitioner, a social worker, and an office manager. These providers do not replace your child's regular providers. We value the partnership with your child's provider and strive to coordinate care and follow up with them.

Who uses our services?

Students who use our services include those who:

- need an evaluation for a minor illness such as a sore throat, cold, ear ache
- have a need for health education and guidance around a chronic health problem such as diabetes or asthma
- need immediate care or are injured at school
- have a primary care provider but would benefit from the convenient access to our service
- are new to the area and in need of interim health care while a primary care provider is being secured
- seek a safe and confidential place to talk about any concern that affects their physical or mental health
- would benefit from having a professional, individual, family or group mental health contact



How much does it cost?

You will never be charged a fee for your child to receive SBHC services. If you have health insurance, the SBHC will submit a claim, but you will never receive a bill from the SBHC.

Benefits of using a SBHC:

- Improves health of students
- Convenient for students and parents
- Students receive care from trusted licensed professionals where they are, when they need it
- Less missed time from work and school
- Allows students to stay in school and be available to learn
- No cost to students/families
- Follow-up care done in school
- Fosters partnership between teachers, students and SBHC

How do I enroll my child in the SBHC?

It's easy! Parents/guardians must complete and sign a permission form to enroll each child under 18 years old. Students 18 or older can sign for themselves. Forms are available in the SBHCs or at www.branfordschools.org. Simply submit the completed form to the SBHC staff at your child's school.

Do we need an appointment to be seen in the SBHC?

Parents may always call the SBHC and request an appointment for their child. Most SBHCs schedule follow-up appointments with students. Otherwise, the SBHC can be contacted as needed for questions, or for urgent care needed during the school day.