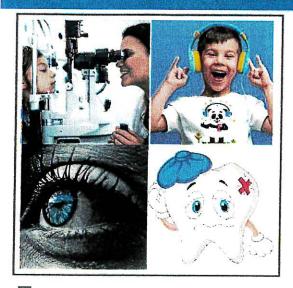
# Cherokee County School District-School Health Services



### Resources/Other Information

#### **Screening Opt-Out**

Parents have an option to decline their child's participation in the health screenings. If you do not want your child to participate in the health screenings, please contact the school nurse. You will also need to complete the Screening Waiver statement, indicating your request to exclude your child from the health screenings. If the Screening Waiver is not completed, your child will be screened. To access the CCSD screening waiver form: <a href="Screening Waiver.pdf">Screening Waiver.pdf</a> (core-docs.s3.amazonaws.com)

#### Access School Health Services Website:

School Health Services | Cherokee County School District (cherokee1.org)



Contact 864-206-2249 or Your School Nurse



# HEALTH SCREENINGS



# Health Screening Information

Cherokee County School District supports your child's academic success by providing health screenings at your child's school. The SC Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC) recommends health screenings for various grade levels, as well as other student groups and student specific concerns. SCDHEC screening recommendations/guidelines can be found at: <a href="https://www.scdhec.gov">www.scdhec.gov</a>

We routinely screen a variety of students in the appropriate recommended grade levels. We also screen all transfer students, any student needing a screening for evaluation purposes, or any student referred by a teacher or parent.

Health Screenings for all grade levels will start in early September. Parents will be informed of the specific planned dates through school and district websites.

# Importance of Health Screenings

Health screenings play an important role in your child's health and education as they help identify issues that may interfere with academic achievement. Often difficulties with vision and hearing are subtle and may go unrecognized. Screenings also help identify students that may need additional resources or further evaluation. Screenings do not take the place of regular professional examinations.

# What We Screen

Health screenings include:

- Vision, Hearing, Oral/Dental and Blood Pressure screenings for appropriate grade levels
- Height and Weight, which will include Body Mass Index (BMI) calculation for selective grade levels

## Referrals

If your child does not pass the health screening, you will receive a referral letter from the nurse which will inform you of the screening results. It is then strongly recommended that you take your child to be further evaluated by a professional. Your school nurse can help if you need assistance with scheduling an appointment.

### Community Partners

The district, at times may partner with community resources such as the Lions Club, local dentists, Healthy Smiles and SC DHEC to assist with conducting the health screenings. We will ensure privacy and confidentiality during all screening procedures.