

Notes from the Nurse

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year at Roxboro Community School. I would like to take this opportunity to share with you information regarding the Health Office.

A health history and emergency contact form will be sent home with your child on the first day of school. Please fill this out completely and return it to school as soon as possible. If your child has any health concerns or needs special accommodations for health related concerns, please contact me.

-Per School Policy, students are not permitted to carry any medication, prescription or over the counter, with the exception of Epi Pens and Inhalers. A doctor's order must be provided giving them permission to carry the Epi Pen or Inhaler.

-If your child needs prescription medication while at school, a doctor's order is required. An "Authorization to Dispense/Administer Medication at School" form can be picked up at school or found on the school website. This form must be completed by the health care provider, signed by a parent giving authorization for the medication, and by the school nurse. Medication cannot be given unless the proper forms are in place.

-All prescription medication must be in a dated, labeled pharmacy container. This includes Inhalers and Epi Pens. All medication must be brought to the school by a parent or guardian.

-The first dose of any new medication cannot be given at school. Any potential side effects must be monitored at home.

-Fever over 100.4, flu-like illness, vomiting and diarrhea are all reasons to stay home from school and for the absence to be excused per school attendance policy.

-If your child is feeling ill during the school day, he/she must be assessed by me in order to be dismissed. Students are not to call or text parents that they are sick and need to go home. A nursing assessment must be given in order to excuse your child home for illness.

-If your child had immunizations over the summer, please send a copy of the record, or have your health care provider email a copy to school for the student's health file.

It is helpful to us as a school community to have good communication with families at all times, in order to help your student stay healthy and succeed in school. Please contact me if I can be of any assistance to advocate for your child's healthcare needs.

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