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As you know, there are numerous support personnel in our school. The members of the support team address the special needs of our children and are concerned with their physical development. Our school nurse is a member of this building team. Please call her regarding any problems relating to the health and general well-being of your child.

There are several health policies that are mandated. You may find the following information helpful in understanding these policies:

- 1) **ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL** – Please notify the Attendance Secretary of absences daily for any reason at - 364-5771
- 2) **PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS**
 - A. **Seventh Grade Students** – New York State mandates that all 7th grade students have a physical. Exams by private doctors are due on or about Thanksgiving. All other students will be scheduled with the school doctor.
 - B. **Sports Physicals** – All 7th and 8th grade students intending to try out for a school athletic team must have a physical. This exam is accepted for one (1) year from date of visit. This exam also satisfies the 7th grade mandate if it is accompanied by the required immunization updates.
 - C. **New Entrants to Syosset Schools** – Physicals must be within the past 90 days, must be submitted within 2 weeks of entry, and must include current up-to-date immunizations. Immunization records must be received by the school within 30 days of enrollment. Students with late or missing records will be excluded from school.
- 3) **ILLNESS/INJURY**
 - A. **Emergency Notification Record** - These forms must be returned promptly. Remember to list **available** alternates. Please include your cell and an alternate number(s). This is our only means of communication in case of an emergency.

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- B. Parent Notification** – All students who feel ill **must report** to the nurse for evaluation. Our school nurse will make the appropriate notification. If your child is returning to school after being sick, please tell him/her to report to the nurse if they do not feel well. Please do not tell him/her to “contact you later if they are not feeling better.”
- C. Crutches or Canes** – These are not permitted in school. Children may borrow a wheelchair from the nurse’s office. Please contact the nurse to arrange for special bus transportation and elevator use.

4) **MEDICATION** - (including all over the counter medications) – All medications must be kept in a locked cabinet in the Health Office. If medication is to be administered during the day, a special form must be completed by the parent and doctor. The form is enclosed in this packet. The medicine must be in a professionally labeled container.

We are aware that some students struggle adjusting to school and may attempt to take “refuge” in the Health Office. With parents and school personnel working together, these problems are usually resolved in a short time.

We hope you find this information helpful. If you need assistance, please do not hesitate to call our nurse at 364-5765.

Sincerely,



Kevin Bonanno
Principal



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