

Santa Rosa School Health Program

2015-2016 School Year

Dear Parent,

This letter is intended to inform you of the variety of services provided to your child by the school health nursing team of the Department of Health-Santa Rosa. Our staff provides a wide range of nursing and health-related education and assistance to all children in Santa Rosa County School District.

The guidance that directs the services to be provided can be found in "The School Health Services Act," s381.0056, F.S., s.402.3026, F.S., s.381.0057, F.S. and the Department of Health Florida Administrative Code Ch. 64B9-14, and 64F-6. These services include, but may not be limited to:

- Conducting health appraisals, counseling and referrals upon request of the school staff, students or parents;
- Conducting vision, hearing, and scoliosis screens for targeted grades;
- Providing health assessments, referrals and case management for homeless and unaccompanied youth
- Calculating Body Mass Index [BMI] on 1st, 3rd, and 6th Grade students;
- Reviewing new student health records for school entrance compliance related to immunization and physical exam requirements;
- Providing in-service training annually to school staff and volunteers who administer medications to students;
- Collaborating on the referral and/or follow-up of suspected or confirmed student health problems;
- Performing regular school site visits; and
- Making limited presentations for the purpose of health education or for Career Days.

While the services above are mandated by the State of Florida, the Department of Health-Santa Rosa school nursing team is always seeking ways to improve the services we provide. Therefore, we welcome your feedback on our performance, and we invite you to contact your school's administrative office or the Department of Health-Santa Rosa directly at 850-983-5200 to provide comments and suggestions.

In addition, if you do not wish for your child to receive school health services by the Department of Health-Santa Rosa, please notify us in writing to your school.

We look forward to serving the school health needs of your children in the coming year!

Sincerely,

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