

**DAVIS SCHOOL DISTRICT
HEALTH AND NURSING SERVICES
IMPORTANT INFORMATION YOU SHOULD KNOW**

Sharing Student Health Information- It is important to list any health information pertinent to the school setting in the “Health Problem” space on the Registration/Demographic Card. Write “none” if there are no concerns. If the health status changes during the school year, ask the office to update the registration card and inform the school nurse. Some health conditions may require an Individualized Health Care Plan (see below).

Behavioral and mental health needs should also be listed on the card and discussed with an administrator or teacher. These concerns will be addressed as needed by professionals other than nurses.

Vision screenings may be conducted any time during the school year throughout the district for **any student**. Various methods such as eye charts and refraction cameras may be used. If you do not want your student to participate in screenings please notify the school in writing every year. Forms are available on the DSD Website.*

Medication policies at school- Responsible students may keep one day’s dosage of most medications with them. Completion of paper work is required for medications administered by school staff. Certain medications such as injectables, controlled substances and some others have special policies for school use. Check with the school nurse for individual circumstances. Guardians are responsible to know and follow guidelines for medications as outlined on the DSD Website.*

*Visit **www.davis.k12.ut.us** and choose **Programs** then **Nurses** for further information, protocol and contact information for the school nurse. There is a link to Parent Resources. (<http://www.davis.k12.ut.us/Page/1851>)

Students with health issues requiring assistance may need an **Individualized Health Care Plan**

- A school nurse and guardian will work together to form a plan of care that will be in place for a 12-month period or until modified.
- Please ensure your student’s health needs are taken care of until the guardian, teacher and nurse sign an Individualized Health Care Plan.
- You may view your student’s current plan by using your my.DSD login.

-All appropriate school staff may view information in the “Physical Status of Student” portion of the registration card.

Davis School District Illness Protocol

Temporary exclusion is recommended when:

1. The illness prevents the student from participating comfortably in activities
2. The illness results in a greater need for care than the staff can provide
3. The student has any of the following conditions, unless a health professional determines the student's condition does not require exclusion
 - **Fever** - temperature 101 F or above and *behavior change or other signs and symptoms* (sore throat, rash, earache, vomiting, diarrhea)
 - **Appears to be severely ill**
 - **Marked drowsiness or malaise** (a vague feeling of physical discomfort or uneasiness) as seen early in an illness
 - **Diarrhea** – bowel movements different from the child's normal pattern
 - **Blood in stools** - not explained by dietary change, medication, or constipation
 - **Vomiting / nausea** - fever with vomiting, green/bloody vomitus, recent history of head injury
 - **Severe abdominal pain**
 - **Less severe abdominal pain** - that continues for more than 2 hours
 - **Mouth sores** with drooling
 - **Rash with fever**
 - **Sore Throat, cold and persistent cough** – a student with a “heavy” cold and hacking cough should be in bed even if there is no fever. A student complaining of sore throat with no other symptoms may attend school. If white spots can be seen in the back of the throat or if fever is present, the student should be home
 - **Any break in the skin in the weeping /oozing stage** – unless protected (covered) and/or diagnosed as noninfectious
 - **Impetigo** - until 24 hours after treatment has started
 - **Streptococcal infection** - (strep throat or other streptococcal infection), until 24 hours after treatment has been started
 - **Head lice** - at the end of the day, then until after the first treatment (Refer to DSD Head Lice Protocol)
 - **Scabies** - until after treatment has been given
 - **Chicken pox** - until all lesions have dried or crusted (about one week after onset of rash)
 - **Pertussis (Whooping cough)** - until 5 days of appropriate antibiotic treatment
 - **Hepatitis A** - until 1 week after onset of illness or jaundice or as directed by licensed medical provider
 - **Measles** – Until 4 days after the onset of rash then the student may return to school
 - **Mumps**- Until 9 days after the onset of parotid gland swelling then student may return to school

Any condition determined by the local health department to be contributing to the transmission of illness during an outbreak

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