

## **HEALTH SERVICES**

The health office is open on school days from 7:45 a.m.-3:15 p.m. The health office can be reached at (507)333-6704. Parents have the primary responsibility for their children's health. The nurse does not medically diagnose or prescribe medications. Parents who are in doubt as to the condition of their child should consult a physician. The health office should be informed of any health conditions the student may have and may request further documentation for the student's health file.

Students should stay home and will be asked to go home if any of the symptoms below are present:

A fever of over 100 degrees (stay home 24 hours after temp is back to normal with no fever reducing medication.)

Vomiting or diarrhea (stay home 24 hours after last episode.) Any undiagnosed rash.

Strep throat (return to school 12 hours after antibiotics are started.) Any undiagnosed draining wounds.

Parents must inform the school within 24 hours if their child has an infectious disease. These may include but are not limited to: head lice, ringworm, scabies, impetigo, chicken pox, pink eye.

The health office may excuse a student twice from physical activity due to illness or injury. If a student requires longer or further restrictions, a doctor's note specifying duration and specific restrictions will be required.

All medication dispensed during school hours must be administered through the health office. Children's Tylenol (acetaminophen) and Advil (ibuprofen) can be administered by health office staff, only with written parent authorization, up to five times a month. The school

does not supply acetaminophen or ibuprofen, it must be supplied by the parent and stored in the health office. All other medications require a Medication Authorization Form from the child's health care provider and it must be signed by the parent/guardian.

If your child has any allergies, please provide documents from your child's health care provider stating what your child is allergic to. This information will be shared with staff on a "need to know" basis and inform the kitchen staff, if necessary, so they can substitute food items if applicable.

Minnesota law requires that all students must be up to date on their immunizations or have a notarized exemption on file in the health office. The health office will send home requests for immunization records as needed. If the student does not meet this requirement, they may be held out of school per the district immunization policy.

If your child has a health or medical condition that could potentially cause a life threatening emergency while being transported by school bus, it is the PARENT'S responsibility to notify Faribault Transportation at (507)334-5121.