



Belle Terre Elementary School

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“A Big Welcome to all new and returning BTES Bobcats. We look forward to a Healthy 2022-2023 School Year”

Here is some information from Nurse Deven

Medication —Flagler County School Board policy prohibits students from carrying any medication to school, from school, or during school. This policy includes cough drops, sunscreen, eye drops, skin creams, prescription and non-prescription medications. If a student requires medication during school hours, it is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to bring the medication to the school clinic accompanied by the correct signed authorization forms. Unauthorized medication will be taken and disposed of. Each medicine must be in its original container and match the doctor 's order exactly. Medications will not be given until the proper documentation is in place.

Non-prescription medication will not be administered to lower temperature, nor will it be given in the presence of an elevated temperature. All medications are kept in a locked cabinet in the nurse's office.

”” Epi-pens, inhalers, diabetic medications and supplies, and pancreatic enzymes may be carried by the student with a written authorization by the parent and physician” * The parent/guardian must complete appropriate paperwork with the school nurse IN ADVANCE of the student carrying these items.

If there is a change in medication and/or dosage, frequency, or time, a written order is needed from the doctor as well as written permission from the parent. Any changes in medication must be in writing and brought to the clinic. This includes any over the counter medications such as Tylenol, Advil, cough drops, antacids etc.

Any prescription medication requires a doctor 's order **every new school year**. Any over the counter medication can be administered in the clinic with consent signed by parent/guardian. Please visit our website at btesbobcats.com to download and print medication administration consents. Go to website, go under about us and click document library, scroll down and go to bobcat clinic and you will see the required consent forms. This will make the process much easier when we first start the next school year.

Any unused medication must be picked up by the parent/guardian at the end of the school year. Medication may not be carried over from one year to the next. If not picked up, it will be discarded.

First Aid—the School Nurse is able to provide your child first aid treatment with your permission. No student will be given any medication without a permission slip signed by a parent or guardian. These forms are signed with enrollment into the school.

Illness—student's who have a **fever, experiencing diarrhea or vomiting** must be sent home and be free of fever, vomiting, or diarrhea for 24 hours before returning to school. A physician's note and/or parent note is needed for your student's absence to be excused. Please reference School County Code of Conduct or contact your student's attendance office for further information.

Students are sent to the clinic by their teacher with any complaints of illness or injury. Students are evaluated in the clinic and given first aid care as needed. Parents are called under the following conditions or as needed.

--fever of 100.4 or greater

--vomiting

--diarrhea

-loss of consciousness (fainting, head injuries)

--possible communicable diseases

--any undiagnosed skin rash

--injury

Students should **remain** home for 24 hours before returning to school. With the number of students that we have at the school, clinic space is limited. Students will need to be picked up within 60 minutes of receiving the call from the nurse. All students who become ill at school must be dismissed through the nurse's office.

Excessive Clinic Visits—No student will ever be kept from coming to the clinic. There are students who make excessive visits to the clinic and miss valuable classroom time. If this occurs, we will contact the parent/guardian to discuss your child's needs.

Immunizations—*It* is the parent's responsibility to keep up with your child's immunizations. The clinic sends out reminder notices as a courtesy, before the student's immunization exemption expires. If an updated student immunization certification is not provided to the clinic by the expiration date, a parent or guardian will be called to pick the student up. The student will not be allowed to stay in class and will wait in the clinic to be picked up.

Lice—Flagler County has a "No Nit" policy. Any student sent home with lice/nits cannot return to school until checked and cleared by the nurse. The student will not be allowed to ride the bus, attend extended day, or attend any school functions until cleared. If a student is found positive, they will be given an excused absence and must make up their school work. A flow sheet will be maintained by clinic.

Screening—Specific Health Screenings to Include grades Pre K-12 by request or as needed. If you choose to Opt out of Health Screening please complete the following form by visiting our forms library.

Assistive Device Authorization Form—Flagler County requires authorization by a physician or relevant licensed health care practitioner if a student comes to school with an assistive device or other supportive device following an injury or surgical procedure. The policy also requires a physician or relevant licensed health care professional to instruct the parent and student on the usage of the assistive device. The form must be complete with the signature of the parent or guardian. This authorization form must be presented to the school nurse upon returning to school.

If a student has any restrictions, such as to avoid physical activity and must sit out of PE and/or recess, this needs to be in writing from a physician. Once these restrictions are lifted, we will need an order from the physician stating the student is clear and able to resume physical activity.

If you have any questions, please call 386-447-1500 at EXT.6114

Thank you,

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