

Emporia

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Dear Kindergarten Parent:

Registered nurses provide health services to students and are at each school at least one-half day a week. They also are on call for health care needs for the remaining days of the week. The building principal has your nurse's schedule.

Kansas law requires new kindergarten students to have a physical examination by your physician, primary care clinic staff, or the Lyon County Health Department staff. The examination should be within 12 months prior to school entry. **Forms are available at the schools.** This information will allow professional staff in USD 253 to identify any problems that may impair your child's ability to learn and to assist you in obtaining the necessary care needed for them to succeed in school. Please contact the school nurse if your child has an exceptional health problem on entrance to school, or at any time during the school year.

The Kansas Immunization Law 75-5209 requires students attending Kansas schools to show evidence that they are immunized from certain communicable diseases. **Complete immunization records from your physician or Health Department must be brought to school at enrollment before the student attends school.** The law further states that students not in compliance with the law may be excluded from school. **Required vaccines are 5 DPT, 4 Polio, 2 MMR, 2 Varicella, and 3 Hepatitis B.**

Studies show that 80 percent of all human learning is received through our visual senses and the remaining percentage is largely from our sense of hearing. Vision and hearing screening tests are conducted on all students according to a mandated schedule by law. Your kindergarten student will receive vision and hearing screenings the first year; then screening will alternate every other year. However, if at any time you have a concern about your child, you may request additional screening.

School district staff is prohibited from administering medications without specific written instruction from your physician and written permission from the parent. If your child must have medication administered during the school day, you must provide the medication in a pharmacy labeled container along with the instruction from your physician and your signed permission to administer the medication to your child. This regulation applies to all over-the-counter products as well as prescription medications. Students are not allowed to carry their own medications or to give them to their teacher. Request for Medication to be Administered during School Attendance forms are included in the online enrollment form and they are available from your school office.

We wish your student success as he/she enters formal education. Please feel free to contact your school nurse regarding any health concerns you have about your child.

Elementary School Nurses,

Denee Mellies, Timmerman
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