

**STUDENT HEALTH GUIDELINES 2024-25**

**IMMUNIZATIONS**

Indiana law requires that students in all grades are required to meet the minimum immunization requirements. The immunization record must include the student’s name and date of birth, the vaccine given and date (month/day/year) of each immunization. The chart below lists the Indiana school requirements of vaccines with the number of doses students must have before attending class.

**Indiana 2024-25 Required and Recommended School Immunizations**

Grade	Required	Recommended
<b>Pre-K</b>	3 Hepatitis B 4 DTaP (Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis) 3 Polio	1 Varicella (Chickenpox) 1 MMR (Measles, Mumps and Rubella) 2 Hepatitis A Annual influenza COVID-19
<b>K-5</b>	3 Hepatitis B 5 DTaP 4 Polio	2 Varicella 2 MMR 2 Hepatitis A Annual influenza COVID-19
<b>6-11</b>	3 Hepatitis B 5 DTaP 4 Polio 2 Varicella	2 MMR 2 Hepatitis A 1 MCV4 (Meningococcal) 1 Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis) Annual influenza 2 or 3 HPV (Human papillomavirus) COVID-19
<b>12</b>	3 Hepatitis B 5 DTaP 4 Polio 2 Varicella	2 MMR 2 Hepatitis A 2 MCV4 1 Tdap Annual influenza 2 or 3 HPV 2 MenB (Meningococcal) COVID-19

The number next to the vaccine denotes the number of cumulative doses needed.

**Varicella:** Physician documentation of disease history, including month and year, is proof of immunity for children entering preschool through 12th grade. Parent report of disease history is not acceptable.

**INJURIES/ILLNESS**

Injuries should be taken care of before the child is allowed to return to school. If a child becomes sick or injured during the school day, a parent/guardian will be notified immediately. It then becomes the responsibility of the parent/guardian to pick up the child as soon as possible.

*A child with a contagious illness or fever should not be sent to school.* Any student with a fever should be kept home until the student has been fever free for 24 hours without medication (temperature below 100.4<sup>0</sup> F). Any student whose temperature is at or above 100.4<sup>0</sup> F will be sent home from school. All other student illness, including vomiting and diarrhea, will be evaluated on a case by case basis. Health-related school dismissals will be done at the discretion of the school nurse. Students cannot be pre-arranged to go home for illness; they must come to the health center to contact a parent. Students will not be allowed to leave school property unless a parent or authorized designee is notified and gives consent.

Students may return to school:

- strep infections – after antibiotics and temperature below 100.4 degrees for 24 hours
- pink eye – after prescribed medication for 24 hours and improved condition
- skin lesions – it is mandatory that any student that has an open wound keep it covered during the school day and during athletic events
- ringworm – only if the lesion is covered and verification of anti-fungal treatment is given
- scabies – the next day after treatment
- vomiting and/or diarrhea – will be handled on a case by case basis after consultation with the school nurse

### **HEAD LICE**

Parents have the prime responsibility of assisting in the prevention and management of head lice cases through regular checks of their child's hair and starting immediate treatment when head lice are detected.

While head lice are a nuisance, they do not spread disease and are not a health issue. Should a case of head lice be brought to the school's attention, the school nurse will maintain confidentiality at school, verify presence of an active infestation, and bring it to the attention of the student's parent/guardian. Parents, students and school staff will be educated about head lice identification, treatment and prevention.

If at all possible, students should not be excluded from school for having head lice as the management of head lice should not disrupt the educational process of the child. The need to exclude students from school will be determined on a case by case basis.

This policy is supported by the American Academy of Pediatrics, the National Association of School Nurses, and the Hamilton County Health Department.

### **EMERGENCY INFORMATION**

In order to facilitate reaching the parent/guardian(s) of sick children, please remember to update emergency information on the CCS PowerSchool Parent Portal with any change in home, work and/or cell phone numbers. Please also supply names and phone numbers of friends and/or relatives who can be called if parent/guardian(s) are not available.

Parents/Guardians who are going to be out of town should send a note to the school with information regarding who will be responsible for their children in their absence.

## **USE OF MEDICATIONS**

In consideration of student health and welfare, all medication required during school hours, except those subject to IC 20-33-8-13 (student possession and self-administration), will be administered by the nurse or designated, trained staff under the following conditions:

1. **Transportation of Medication:** ALL medication, both prescription and non-prescription, must be transported to and from the school nurse's office by a parent or guardian. Students are not permitted to have any medication or drug in their possession.
2. **Storage of Medications:** ALL medication, prescription or non-prescription, must be stored in their original containers labeled with the student's name and expiration date. All medications, with the exception of emergency medications, must be stored in a locked cabinet or drawer. Emergency medications should be stored in a secure area inaccessible to children. The emergency medication must be unlocked and immediately available to school personnel at all time when students are present.
3. **Prescription Medication:** Prescription medication must have a current, written order of a physician, dentist, chiropractor, optometrist, podiatrist, OR prescription (label affixed on container) including name of the drug, drug dosage, route of administration, directions or interval for the drug to be given, and name of the licensed healthcare provider prescribing the medication.
4. **Non-Prescription Medication:** Non-prescription medication must be accompanied by a current, written order of a physician, dentist, chiropractor, optometrist, podiatrist, including directions for administration. Directions should include name of the drug, drug dosage, route of administration, directions or interval for the drug to be given, and name of the licensed healthcare provider prescribing the medication. Please write your student's name on non-prescription containers.
5. **Parent Consent to give Medication:** Carmel Clay Schools requires a parent/guardian signature giving consent for the school to administer any medication. The consent of the parent/guardian shall be valid only for the period specified on the consent form and in no case longer than the current school year or program year. For daily medication, it is the student's responsibility to come to the health center to receive the medication at the designated time. If it becomes necessary to give a student medication that is not kept at school, a parent or legal guardian may come to the school and administer the medication.
6. **Student possession and self-administration:** In accordance with Indiana statute, students are not permitted to self-carry or administer any medication, with the exception of students with acute or chronic medical conditions that require emergency medications (i.e. Epi-pen, inhaler, insulin, Glucagon). An annual health plan with both parent and physician signatures must be received stating the nature of the medical condition and that the student has been instructed how to self-administer the medication.
7. **Analgesics:** The school nurse will administer analgesics (generic Tylenol or Advil) as needed, if parent consent is on file. At the elementary level (K thru 5), a parent/guardian will be notified when analgesics are given.
8. **Benadryl:** The school nurse will administer Benadryl, as needed, for life-threatening allergies. A parent/guardian will be notified when Benadryl is given.
9. **Products unapproved by the FDA:** Carmel Clay Schools does not honor any requests to administer any products not approved by the FDA, including but not limited to herbs, homeopathic medicines, vitamins, cultural treatments, salves, and nutritional supplements.
10. **Administration of Low Hemp THC Extract, including CBD oil, by School Personnel:** Carmel Clay School Personnel will administer a low THC hemp extract substance, including CBD oil, if at a minimum, all of the following criteria are met:

- The parent has provided the school with written permission to administer this product to his/her child and has verified that the product was acquired from a retailer that meets the requirements listed in SEA 52;
  - Product has come in original packaging and is unopened;
  - Student's healthcare provider has provided the school with a prescription to administer the substance which includes the dose, route and time of administration; and
  - Product has been approved by: (1) the federal Food and Drug Administration or the federal Drug Enforcement Agency as a prescription or over the counter drug; or (2) meets the packaging requirements of SEA 52.
11. **Emergency Stock Medication:** Carmel Clay Schools may store emergency stock medication, as permitted by Indiana statute, to be administered in emergency situations.
  12. **Medication Documentation:** All medication administration will be documented and kept on file in the health center.
  13. **Medication Termination:** If medication needs to be terminated, the parent/guardian will provide written notification to the school indicating the date medication consent is withdrawn.
  14. **Medication Disposal:** At the close of the school year, ALL medications must be picked up by the student's parent or designated adult. Medications left in the health center will be destroyed.