



West Allegheny School District

FINDLAY TOWNSHIP • NORTH FAYETTE TOWNSHIP • OAKDALE BOROUGH

PARENT NOTIFICATION OF SCHOOL HEALTH GUIDELINES

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The school staff wants to cooperate with parents in any way possible in order to insure the best health care for students. For your benefit, we have prepared the following health guidelines of the school district. Please keep it on file for future reference:

1. All parents must have on file at the school, their home telephone number and their business telephone number as well as an adult alternate's telephone number. Also, please list your doctor's phone number and hospital preference.
2. At the beginning of each school year, parents should notify the school nurse if their child has any medical problem of which the school personnel should be aware.
3. It is advisable to keep a student home from school if he/she has an above normal (98.6) temperature.
4. **No medication will be administered in school except by the direct order of a physician.**
 - A. **If medication is essential to the daily function of the child:**
 1. **The school must have a written order from the doctor** giving the date, student's name, diagnosis, name of medication, dosage, time schedule, possible side effects and any curtailment of specific school activities.
 2. **Medication must be brought to school by the parent in properly labeled containers indicating the student's name, name of physician, date of prescription, name and phone number of pharmacy, name of medication, dosage and frequency of administration.**
 3. **The school must have on file written permission from the parent for the administration of the medication.**
 - B. Any medication found on a student without above notices will not be given to the child and the Drug and Alcohol Policy may be enforced. Please refer to the parent handbook for policy guidelines.
 - C. For further information, call the school nurse.

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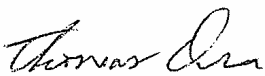
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5. Any child falling and bumping his/her head will result in the parent/guardian being notified. The student may be taken home by the parent/guardian for observation an/or necessary action at parent discretion or recommendation of the nurse.
6. Only injuries occurring on school property during school hours will be given first aid. Injuries occurring elsewhere must be taken care of by the parents/guardians.
7. Any child who has been excluded or who has been absent from school for having pink eye, impetigo, pediculosis (lice), ringworm or any other contagious disease may be required to provide a recovery note from a physician. Periodic checks may be made for the above conditions.
8. Parents/guardians or their designees are responsible for picking up their children when they are sick or injured at school.
9. Serious emergency cases will be handled in the following manner:
 - A. Emergency transportation will be made to a medical care facility.
 - B. Parents/guardians will be contacted.

A registered and certified school nurse is scheduled at each of the Elementary Buildings as well as the Middle and Senior High School.

We appreciate your cooperation in helping us carry out this phase of the health program in the school.

Sincerely,



Thomas Orr
Principal