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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

The purpose of this letter is to provide important information concerning our health requirements and services.

All children new to the district and all those in Grades Pre-K or K, 1st, 3rd, 5th and 7th are required by law to have a health examination by a physician. Health forms completed by family physicians must be submitted to the health office. Please note, if a family physician's report is not submitted, our school physician will examine your child. Recent changes to the New York State Education Law requires that BMI and weight status group be included as part of the student's school health examination. If you do not wish to have your child's weight status group information included as part of the Health Department's survey, please contact your school nurse.

First aid care is provided by the school nurse if a child is injured or becomes ill in school. Emergency contact lists are kept on file so that a parent or someone designated by parents can be contacted in the even of an emergency. It is necessary to advise us with current updated information throughout the year.

All medications (both over the counter and prescribed) are to be dispensed by the school nurse and must be ordered by a physician and authorized by a parent, both in writing. Please contact the school nurse for these forms. Students may not carry medications with them. Medication must be labeled and in its original container.

Students illness is a justifiable excuse for students to be absent from school. *Children must be kept home from school if they are vomiting, have diarrhea or a rash and they must be fever free for 24 hours.* Please inform the school on the first day of absence. A returning student must bring in a note from a parent or guardian indicating the reason for the child's absence.

Students will only be excused from physical education class or recess for one day as long as they have a note from a parent or guardian. Longer excuses require a doctor's note.

Every year New York State Education Department mandates screenings to be conducted for your children's wellness. Screenings include eyes and ears for children in grades K-8. Scoliosis screenings are given to children in Grades 5-7 (females) and Grade 9 (males). You will be notified if there are any questionable results.

Disease prevention and general good health are an integral part of a student's overall development and growth. Should you have any questions, please feel free to call the health office at 878-0162.

Sincerely,
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K-4 School Nurse

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