

What is School Health Services?

School Health Services are a vital part of the overall school program.

In Delaware, every public school has a full-time Registered Nurse available to support all students.

Professional school nurses focus on each child's individual health and well-being, collaborating with students, their families, school staff, and community partners to help children fully engage in their school experience.



*Every learner ready for success
in college, career and life.*

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To best support your child during the school day, please reach out to their school to connect with the School Nurse and discuss any health needs or concerns.



Delaware School Health Services



*Bridging health care and education
to keep children healthy, safe, in
school and ready to learn. (NASN)*

School Health Services Information

How can the School Nurse support your child?

- Manage your child's health care needs
- Provide nursing care and treatment for illnesses and injuries
- Administer medications and treatments
- Conduct health screenings for hearing, vision, and posture/ gait, with referrals as needed
- Act as a liaison between healthcare providers and the school
- Assist with Individualized Education Programs (IEP) and 504 Plans
- Offer information and referrals to community resources for food, clothing, and additional services
- Provide health education and counseling

Disclaimer: This list is not exhaustive and may include additional services based on individual needs.



What are the health related school entry requirements?

✓ Vaccinations

- 5 or more doses of Tetanus vaccine (DTaP or DTP) unless 4th dose was given after the
- 4 doses of Polio vaccine (IPV or OPV) unless the 3rd dose was given after the 4th birthday
- 3 doses of Hepatitis B vaccine
- 2 doses of Measles, Mumps and Rubella vaccine (MMR)
- 2 doses of Varicella Vaccine (Chicken pox) or disease history documented by the healthcare provider
- 1 dose of adult Tetanus booster and 1 dose meningococcal for entering grade 9 students

✓ Physical Examination

- Within 2 years prior to school entry and for entering grade 9 students

✓ Tuberculosis Test

- Skin Test or Risk Assessment

✓ Lead Blood Test Date

- Documentation of test for entering pre-school or kindergarten students

[Contact your child's doctor for the required school entry paperwork.](#)

Do you have further questions?

Contact your child's school to answer:

- Where can I find resources for healthcare and other services?
- Where can I find out about school-wide health and educational programs to assist my child and family?
- What do I need to do if my child has activity restrictions due to injury or other reason?
- What is required to participate in after school activities and sports?
- What do I do if I have concerns about my child's development, behavior or grades?
- What is the attendance policy?
- What Child Nutrition Programs are available to my child?
- How can I become involved in the school's culture?

For specific details, check your child's school and school district website!

Students should be in school, well rested, and ready to learn every day!