

**THE APPROPRIATE FORMS SHOULD BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE SCHOOL HEALTH OFFICE
ON OR BEFORE THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL.**

**Herricks Union Free School District
999-B Herricks Road
New Hyde Park, NY 11040**

HEALTH SERVICES INFORMATION

Health Services

School nurses offer vital services to the students of the community. These services may include participating in health counseling, screening tests, annual health examinations, athletic physicals and emergency care.

Please review the following regulations which have been designed to protect the health and safety of all of our school children.

The law requires that all children entering school **must submit a complete record of immunization against** measles, diphtheria, polio, mumps, and rubella, pertussis, tetanus, Varicella (chicken pox), Hepatitis B and Meningitis. A physical examination report must also be submitted. You are strongly encouraged to submit documentation regarding your child's immunization prior to or at the time of enrollment. However, if you cannot provide this information at such time, please submit the required documentation as soon as practical. **Your child may not attend school for more than fourteen (14) days** without providing proof of immunizations. **If your child is transferring from another country** and demonstrates a good faith effort to obtain such immunizations, **your child may not attend school for more than thirty (30) days.** The necessary medical paperwork can be found on the district website under a search for [Health School Forms](#).

Physical Examinations

Parents/person in parental relation are urged to have their children examined by their private physicians and dentists on an annual basis. **The law requires** new entrants, kindergartners, and students in grades K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 & 11 to furnish a physical examination report by October 1st. If you do not submit a physical examination report within 30 days of your child's enrollment or entry into his or her respective grade, you will receive a notice requiring you to submit the report. If you fail to respond to such notice within 30 days, the District's school physician shall perform your child's medical examination.

Athletic Physicals

All students that plan to participate in an after school sport must have an athletic physical prior to the season. The physical may be performed by either the school physician or a private physician.

Administering Medication

The Board of Education expects children's medication to be administered at home. Under certain circumstances, when it is necessary for the child to take internal medication during school hours, the following **guidelines must be strictly followed:**

1. A written order from the physician must be submitted.
2. A written medication form from the health office must be signed by Parents/person in parental relation of the child.
3. The medication must be brought to school by an adult in the proper container labeled by the pharmacist or physician.

Medication regulations apply to both non-prescription and prescription medications. The Nurse's Office has nebulizer treatment equipment available. Medication and tubing's are supplied by the parent or guardian.

Screening Tests

School nurses conduct the following screening programs for the children in our district:

<u>Scoliosis</u>	Grades Girls 5 & 7; Boys 9
<u>Vision</u>	Grades K, 1, 3, 5, 7 & 11
<u>Hearing</u>	Grades K, 1, 3, 5, 7 & 11

Emergency Health Services

Primary responsibility for school emergency health services rests with the school health services staff. The staff provides first aid whenever appropriate. First aid is emergency care that will protect the life and comfort of an individual until authorized medical treatment is secured. The comprehensive emergency services at Herricks Public Schools are designed to educate, prevent incidents and deliver adequate and appropriate care. Please complete the Emergency Information Cards supplied each year so that we can maintain accurate student records.

Illness at School

The school nurse at your child's school will contact you if your child is ill. It is advisable, however, to keep your child home from school, and if necessary to consult your private physician if your child has the following symptoms:

Elevated temperature	Earache
Reddened or discharging eyes	Diarrhea
Nausea or vomiting	Dizziness
Enlarged glands	Coughing
Skin eruption	Sore throat

It is the parent/person in parental relation of the child responsibility to arrange transportation for his or her ill child.

Please notify the school nurse if your child has a communicable disease or other medical condition or a change in a known medical condition and/or injury. Medical documentation may be requested by the nurse. **By law**, school nurses may **not** diagnose illnesses or injuries. We request that you do not send your child to the Health Office for treatment or diagnoses of old injuries or other chronic conditions. Please feel free to contact the school nurse at your child's school for information about health services or health education instruction. We appreciate your cooperation and support of our health education programs at Herricks Public Schools.

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Director of Pupil Services

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