

Richmond Public Schools Health Services Office

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RICHMOND PUBLIC SCHOOLS

STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES

Student Care our Business

We Are Student Health Services

The Health Services Program provides medical supervision/services in support of school nurses, health education/health promotion, student assessment, the management of student medical needs, and the development of district policies and procedures.



School Nursing: A Specialized Practice

School nursing is a specialized practice of professional nursing that (1) advances the well-being, academic success, and life-long

- achievement of students,
- (2) promotes health and safety,
- (3) intervenes with actual and potential health problems,
- (4) assists with positive student responses to normal development,
- (5) collaborate with professionals in other disciplines to build student and family self-management, self-advocacy and learning.

Best Practices

- Solution Witten Consent from parent and physician to dispense medications and treatments to students.
- Individualized health care plans are essential in caring for medical fragile students' health and safety during school hours.
- Moving towards framework to have a Registered Nurse in every school as an integrall part of Richmond Public Schools Strategic Plan.

Comprehensive Services

School Health Services include:

- Manage student medical records, including physical examinations and immunization compliance.
- Administration of medications
- Medical procedures for children to include:
- Feeding tubes Insulin pumps Catheterizations Nebulizers
- Firstaid to children
- Infection control measures
- Health screenings
- Health promotion to improve health-related outcomes
- Liaison role between school, medical community and community based stakeholders
- Education in family life and growing healthy programs
- Coordination and facilitation of Tdap immunization booster vaccines to rising $7^{\rm th}\,graders$
- $\bullet \, {\rm Referral} \, {\rm of} \, {\rm children} \, {\rm with} \, {\rm illnesses}$
- Provides appropriate follow through with special education students, parents and staff and apprises IEP team of medical problems of special education students as assigned
- Case management
- Assistance with activities of daily living
- Participate in in-service training programs
- Provides OSHA education to faculty and staff
- Provides crisis response / emergency preparedness training
- Utilizing an evidenced-based practice culture



RPS School Health Services collaborates with various schools of nursing and community agencies. Here are some of our community based partners: Capital Area Health Network, VCU, Bon Secours, Hospital Corporation of America, Richmond City Health District, Virginia Department of Health and Conexus.