

HEALTH & IMMUNIZATION INFORMATION

BELLEVUE SCHOOL DISTRICT 2015-2016

Health and Immunization forms available on BSD site: <http://www.bsd405.org/register>

Important - All forms must be completed and returned to attendance school PRIOR to the first day of school

Life Threatening Health Conditions:

Prior to the attendance at school, each child with a life-threatening health condition shall present a medication or treatment order addressing the condition. A life threatening health condition means a condition that will put the child in danger of death during the school day if a medication or treatment plan is not in place. Following submission of the medication or treatment order, an (Emergency) Individual Health Plan/504 shall be developed by the School Nurse. Students who have a life threatening health condition and no medication or treatment plan in place **shall be excluded from school**. This is consistent with federal requirements for students with disabilities under the Individuals with Disabilities Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. **It is the parent responsibility to contact the School Nurse prior to attending school.** IHP/504 forms available on BSD site: <http://www.bsd405.org/about-us/health-services/individual-health-plans.aspx>

Immunizations:

A completed Certificate of Immunization Status is required by WA State Law and BSD policy for school attendance. Incomplete immunizations may result in exclusion from school – State Law and BSD Policy. The Washington State Immunization Law requires that any student entering a school district for the first time, must present to the school the dates (month, day, and year) of immunization against diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus, polio, measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR), Varicella and Hepatitis B. Most requirements must be completed for Kindergarten Entry and presented to school prior to the start of school to prevent **exclusion from school**. Additional Tdap dose is required for 6th grade (Middle School) entry. Documentation must be given to attending Middle School prior to the first day of school to prevent **exclusion from school**.

Medications at School:

Bellevue School District has a **no drug policy, which includes any over-the-counter medication, herbal medications and prescription medications**. In the event that there is a valid health reason which requires the administration of any medication to a student during school hours, proper notification and authorization must be completed in compliance with RCW 28A.210.260 and the Washington State Nurse Practice Act. A written authorization form must be filled out and **signed by both the parent and a licensed health care provider** for any over-the-counter medication, prescription medication (including epinephrine and insulin), topical and herbal medications – this includes over the counter pain relievers and all cold medication. This form must be on file in the office and is good for the current school year, unless a shorter period is specified. The Medication Authorization form is available in the school office and on the district web page.

Bellevue School Nurse/Health Information:

On Bellevue School District's Web site, the school nurses have put information about health requirements as well as many of the health forms that are required for school attendance. You can find suggested guidelines for deciding if your child is too sick to attend school, what immunizations are required for your child's grade level, copies of different Health Care Plans and links to community sites that parents might find useful. Go to the Bellevue School District Web site: <http://www.bsd405.org/health>

Vision and Hearing Screening:

The Bellevue School District provides vision and hearing screening programs. Vision and hearing screening is conducted annually in kindergarten through fifth grade, and in **seventh grade**. A student at any grade level having a suspected hearing or vision problem can obtain a vision or hearing screening at anytime. Referrals can be originated by the teacher, parents, or students themselves.

If you have any questions, please contact Sonja Reid, BSD Lead Nurse @ reids@bsd405.org