East Newton High School Medical Policies

ACCIDENTS/ILLNESS

Whenever an accident or illness occurs and it's of a serious nature, we do everything within our power to contact parents/guardians. If we cannot locate a parent/guardian, we will notify the emergency number on the "In Case of Emergency" form. If a student is injured or becomes ill at school, he/she is to report to his/her teacher and ask for a permit to go to the school nurse. Students who are injured or become ill and are able to leave the campus must check out through the office before leaving the school. The district will notify the parent/guardian if the child should go home or go receive medical care as promptly as may be arranged. For the child's safety, school personnel, including a school nurse, will not transport a seriously injured student. If parents/guardians cannot provide transportation, an ambulance will be called at the expense of the parents/guardians.

PLEASE KEEP ALL TELEPHONES NUMBERS AND EMERGENCY INFORMATION CURRENT WITH THE OFFICE!

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

Guidelines for school attendance concerning chicken pox, strep throat, impetigo or any other contagious diseases are followed as outlined by the Director of Missouri Division of Health, Department of Social Services, Section 167.191 RSMo: Children with Contagious Diseases Who Attend School "It shall be unlawful for any child to attend any school of this state while afflicted with any contagious diseases."

IMMUNIZATIONS

It is unlawful for any student to attend school unless he/she has been immunized as required under the rules and regulations of the Division of Health, Section 167.181 RSMo – 1975, and can provide satisfactory evidence of such immunizations. Parents/Guardians should check with the county health unit or family doctor to determine if the child has adequate immunization. The school is required to send a report to the state by October 15th of each year. This report shall show the name of the student and parent/guardian (and address) if the student is not properly immunized.

MEDICATION POLICY

Students are to present any medications to the school nurse. Medication must be in a pharmacy bottle with the prescription to be administered by the school nurse. Grades 9-12 may SelfAdminister Over-the-Counter and Prescription Medications provided the following occur:

- 1. Prescription medications must be logged in at the nurse's office.
- 2. Medication must be in original, appropriately labeled and unexpired container.
- 3. Medication must be taken only as directed by manufacturer or physician.
- 4. Student should carry a note from the parent/guardian giving permission to self-administer medication.
- 5. Amount of medication carried by the student should not exceed the amount needed for the day. Maximum daily dosages are indicated on the labels of over-the-counter medications.
- 6. Medications must not be shared with other students.

The prescription bottle should contain the following:

- 1. Student's name
- 2. Name of the drug
- 3. Dosage
- 4. Frequency of administration
- 5. How the medication is to be given
- 6. Name of the Doctor

On days when the school nurse is not present, medication should be turned into the office. Notify the nurse or office if any controlled substance is brought to school. The district's professional nurse may delegate, and thereby will supervise the administration of medication by unlicensed, trained personnel.