

## **HEALTH AND INSURANCE**

### **ILLNESS**

Please do not send your child to school ill. If your child is running a fever or has other signs of illness please do not send him/her to school. A child must be “fever free” for 24 hours. When a parent/guardian has doubts as to a child’s fitness to attend school, the family physician should be contacted.

A child will be sent home automatically with the following:

- Temperature of 100 degrees or more.
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Any questionable injury or trauma
- Any evidence (even if questionable) of communicable disease (chicken pox, impetigo, head lice, “pink eye”).

The district nurse is at Village View School one day a week. Her duties include administering first aid, assisting the region nurse in checking student’s vision and hearing, checking immunization records and processing physician’s medication forms for students. The nurse is available upon request to teachers, parents and children in an advisory capacity and as a resource person in special education placements. We also have a trained Health Technician on campus daily to assist in treatment of ill and injured children and in maintenance of records.

### **MEDICATION**

According to the California State Education Code, certain procedures must be followed if medication is to be administered by school personnel to a student during school hours.

Any pupil who is required to take prescribed medication (including over-the-counter medications) during school hours must have the proper forms signed by a physician and parent/guardian. Medications (labeled with child’s name and dosage) must be brought to school by an adult, along with the signed forms. Forms are available in the school office. No medication will be kept in the classroom. It is the student’s responsibility to go to the office at the designated time to take the prescribed medication.

A parent or guardian may bring prescribed medication to the school and give it to their child directly. If the student goes home for lunch, medication can be given under parent’s supervision.

## **HEALTH OFFICE**

Students who become ill or injure themselves during recess or lunch should report to the health office. During class time, minor injuries will be attended to in the classroom. Students feeling ill should inform their teachers and will be sent to the health office.

## **HEALTH SERVICES**

Through the Pupil Personnel Services Department, each school is given the health services necessary to identify any physical defects which might impede the student's maximum educational development. District nurses are available to each school on a limited basis. In addition, a trained health aide is scheduled to assist with routine health problems. The following services are offered to Village View students:

- Kindergarten      Hearing and vision screening
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade          Vision screening (boys, color vision)
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade          Growth and Development (with parent permission)

## **REPORT TO PARENTS OF INJURIES**

It is the policy of the Ocean View School District to inform parents any time their child receives other than an apparent minor injury during the school day. Parents will be notified of any head injuries. Sometimes children hurt themselves during the school day and do not report the injury to a teacher. Parents are asked to call the office and advise us as to the nature and extent of the injury.

## **STUDENT INSURANCE**

At the beginning of the school year, applications for insurance are sent home with each student. This insurance may be purchased at a reasonable price. Village View receives no remuneration for informing parents of this coverage, but does so as a public service. The transaction, including claims, is handled directly with the insurance company.