

Health & Wellness

Providing Medical & Emergency Information

Parents must enter essential medical, health, and emergency daytime contact information into the school's Parent Portal database by the first day of school and keep it updated throughout the year. Printed copies of this information are taken on all field trips and to away games (Grades 6 - 12). This information will accompany any injured child who is taken for emergency medical treatment.

Please inform the Office and your child's teacher

- If you keep your child home
- Of any communicable diseases
- If there have been unusual events in your child's life

Staying Home

Children who are well-rested and well-fed are more easily able to participate in classroom activities in a meaningful and successful way. The following are guidelines to know when to keep your child home from school:

- Fatigue/exhaustion
- Pain
- Fever
- Rash
- Headache
- Cold
- Diarrhea
- Vomiting

Returning to School

When returning to school after an illness or not being well please consider these guidelines:

- Fever free for 24hrs
- No sign of illness
- Well rested
- Appetite back to normal
- Energy level back to normal

Medications

If possible, please give your child any needed medication doses at home. The school does not provide over-the-counter medication for students. If any medication must be sent to school, please bring it to the office in **original packaging, in a zip-lock bag with written and signed permission, including explicit directions regarding dispensing directions, dosage, etc.** Students may not keep medication of any kind in their possession during school hours.

Health Exams & Screenings (State Mandated)

Physical and dental examinations are required for certain students (as required by the state of Pennsylvania). It is preferred that these exams be done by your family physician or dentist. **Forms are available on our website and are due to the office before the first day of school.**

Physical Exams are required for

- New Students.
- Kindergarten
- Grade 6
- Grade 11

Dental Exams are required for

- New Students
- Kindergarten
- Grade 3
- Grade 7

Screenings

- Vision Screening - takes place each year for all grades.
- Hearing Screening - takes place each year in Kindergarten and grades 1, 2, 3, 7 and 11.
- Scoliosis Screening- takes place each year in grades 6 & 7.
- These screening are conducted by school nurses from the Owen J. Roberts School District. If results of the vision, hearing or scoliosis screening indicate a concern, a second screening will be scheduled. Parents will be notified of any atypical results of the second screening.

Immunization Requirements KWS is required by Pennsylvania law to keep records of immunizations or exemptions for all of our students. We are required to report these records to the Health Department annually. KWS must be updated when required boosters are received according to the child's age. For those families who do not wish for their children to have the required immunizations, Pennsylvania state law allows for a medical or non-medical exemption. If this option is used, children may be excluded from school if any of the immunizable diseases occur within the school. Our Health Records coordinator checks forms to make sure immunizations are up to date. Contact our Health Records Coordinator at healthrecords@kimberton.org.