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## STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES

The Hull Public Schools recognize that parents have the primary responsibility for the health of their children. The school will work together as a team along with the family in promoting and maintaining optimum health of each child. In addition the school will cooperate with appropriate professional organizations associated with maintaining individual and community health and safety.

Student health services include mandated screenings (vision and hearing, measurement of height and weight, and postural screening for detection of scoliosis), communicable disease prevention and control, immunization surveillance, medication administration, first aid and emergency care of the ill and/or injured, health and safety education and the maintenance of a healthful school environment.

The Hull Public Schools shall provide the services of a medical consultant who shall render medical and administrative consultant services for personnel responsible for the school health services.

## **Procedures for Emergency at School**

School personnel shall give only emergency care to students who become ill or injured on school property, buses or while under school supervision.

The Hull Public Schools shall maintain an Emergency Procedures Handbook that shall be utilized by Hull Public Schools personnel for handling emergencies. Emergency procedures shall include the following:

- 1. Provision of care beyond first aid. In instances when EMS is required, every effort shall be made to provide the unit with any significant health concerns of the individual student.
- 2. The administration of any form of medicine or drugs to students will require written approval from parents.

Emergency Information Cards are distributed to each student at the beginning of the school year. Parents shall note pertinent health concerns (allergies, asthma, diabetes, seizure etc.) and supply information where they can be reached during school hours. Additionally parents will include the name, address and phone number of a responsible adult to be contacted in case the parent is not available.

## **Student Illness or Injury**

In case of illness or injury, the parent or guardian will be contacted and asked to come for the child or provide transportation.

Transportation of an ill or injured student is not normally to be provided by the school. If the parent cannot provide transportation and the student is ill or injured, an ambulance may be called. Expense incurred as a result of ambulance use will not be the responsibility of the Hull Public Schools.

Transportation of a student by school personnel will be done only in an emergency and by the individual so designated by the school administrator.

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