William Floyd Union Free School District

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OFFICE OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

Dear Parent or Guardian:

New York State Education Law mandates that each child in grades Pre-K or Kindergarten, 1,3,5,7, 9,11 and all students entering the district, have a health examination, preferably by the family physician. Your health care provider should submit a statement regarding the health status of your child within 30 days of starting school. A form provided for this purpose is available at the health office in each school and on the district website. If a private physical is not received within 30 days, the school physician shall examine the student and parents will be notified of any medical findings requiring further evaluation.

In addition to the physical examination, the law also requires other screenings during the school year. These include: height and weight screening each physical year, vision screening in grades PK or K, 1,3,5,7 and 11; hearing screening in grades PK or K, 1,3,5,7 and 11; and a spinal screening to detect scoliosis (a curvature of the spine) for girls in grades 5 and 7, and boys in grade 9. New entrants are required to have all screenings, regardless of their grade. Upon completion of the screenings, you will be notified by letter if any further examination or follow-up by your family physician is indicated.

The School Nurse is responsible for the *FIRST AID* care of school children who are injured or become ill while under school supervision. *FIRST AID* is treatment for the protection of life and comfort of a child until authorized treatment is secured. The parent is responsible for securing additional medical care if necessary**.** ***The school nurse will NOT dispense any medication to students unless he/she has a doctor's written order on file giving specific instructions to do so.*** It will be necessary for a new doctor's order to be submitted to the school nurse each school year. Forms are available in the nurse's office and on the district website for this purpose. This also applies to ***all*** over-the-counter medications (ex. Tylenol, Advil, etc).

Students who are ill should not be in school. It is unfair to the students and to all others he/she comes in contact with. If the student is unable to attend school, please phone the Attendance Office and notify them. Upon returning to school, the student must bring a written excuse, signed by the parent stating the cause of absence and dates. For extended absences, a physician's statement will be required.

The school district policy is that if a student is well enough to attend school, he/she should be well enough to participate in all activities including Physical Education class. Should your doctor advise against Physical Education class participation, a signed note from your doctor is required to be on file in the Health Office. The student will then be excused from participation for the specified period of time but will be required to attend the class. Reassignment out of the class will be approved by the Athletic Director and the Nurse when it is deemed necessary for the safety of the students.

After notification by the School Health Office, children who are leaving school because of illness or injury may be picked up by the parent or adult parent designee. All students leaving school early because of illness or injury should be signed out through the office of the School Nurse. Any person picking up a student MUST show photo identification before the student will be released.

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