School Health Services works in collaboration with school administrators to provide an environment that protects and promotes health of all students. The school nurse provides an opportunity for individualized student health assessments, health education and promotion of a healthy lifestyle. School nurses utilize community and school resources to assist students, school personnel and families in obtaining improved health outcomes.

The school health services program includes but is not limited to:

1. Maintenance of a safe, sanitary and healthy school environment.
2. Promotion of healthy living.
3. Recognition of physical, mental or emotional well-being of students and/or school personnel.
4. Verification of a well visit physical examination and required immunization for all students except those exempt by statute initially entering Knox County Schools when immunization requirements change.
5. Verification of a TSSAA physical for students prior to participation in interscholastic athletics.
6. Compilation of cumulative health records when necessary.
7. A record for each student which contains information as to how and where to contact parents in case of emergency;
8. A report of each accident taking place while the student is under the jurisdiction of the school and notification of parent(s)/guardian(s) of any accident, injury, or incident.
9. Procedures for reporting suspected child abuse or neglect;
10. Plans for dealing with communicable diseases;
11. Procedures for administering and recording medications;
13. Maintain confidentiality as outlined by HIPPA and/or FERPA.
Legal References:

1. TRR/MS § 0520-1-3-.08(1)(e).
2. TARR § 0520-1-3-.08(2)(a).
3. TARR § 0520-1-3-.08(2)(b).
4. TARR § 0520-1-3-.08(2)(e).
5. TARR § 0520-1-3.08(2)(c).

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