



Important Guidelines from the Goosehill Primary School Health Office

1. All incoming kindergarten students must have the following records on file in the Health Office before they enter school in September:
 - ✓ a **current** physical (completed within the last twelve months)
 - ✓ a dental health certificate
 - ✓ a health history form
 - ✓ New York State Immunization Record. Please submit your child's **current immunization** record **as soon as possible**. It will be reviewed and you will be notified if any additional immunizations are required before the start of school. **Please note: students must be up-to-date with all required immunizations before the first day of school.**

*** Health forms can be accessed on the Cold Spring Harbor School District website through the Goosehill Primary - Health Office link. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Herschlein.
2. **Any medication required to be administered** by the school nurse must be in its original container and delivered in person to the nurse with the school medication form completed by the doctor and parent. Please do not send any medicine to school in your child's backpack.
3. **No over-the-counter medicine** is allowed in school, including creams, lotions, cough drops, and eye drops. All medication must have the physician's orders and parent permission. You can obtain a form from the Health Office.
4. State-mandated vision and hearing screenings are conducted annually by a school nurse.
5. **If your child has an injury or procedure/surgery**, a physician's note must be submitted to the Nurse's Office indicating whether or not s/he is allowed to participate in Physical Education and /or recess. After any period of restriction from activity, another note from the physician is required before the child can return to normal activity.
6. **You will receive a phone call from the nurse if there is an injury or illness at school that the nurse feels warrants your attention.** You will not be called for every visit to the Health Office. Please keep your phone numbers up to date and always make sure someone can be reached and is able to pick up your child within half an hour. Children will often become upset when no one can be reached.
7. **A change of clothes** will be provided by the Health Office in the event of bathroom accidents or spills. Please wash and return the clothes to school the next day. If you wish, you may provide your own set of clothes for your child to be kept in the Health Office. Please label everything with your child's name.
8. **Please call the Attendance Office** (rather than the Main Office) when your child will be absent: **(631)-367-5948**. Leave a message if there is no answer. Please call for all absences, even vacations. If you do not call, you will receive an automated phone call at about 11:00 a.m. to confirm your child's absence.
9. **NYS Law requires that a note explaining the absence be submitted** to the teacher when your child returns to school.
10. You may call the Main Office (631-367-5941) to request homework after your child has been absent due to illness for **two consecutive days**. We are unable to provide homework during or following an unexcused absence (e.g. vacation).