Infirmary Procedures

Good health care requires a team effort between the nurse, school faculty and program participants. In order for this process to go smoothly, our nurse requests the following:

- Upon arriving, please give all students’ medications and health records (in alphabetical order) to the nurse as soon as possible. She will provide your school coordinator with a schedule for students who require daily medications. Please use this schedule to remind students to report for medications when scheduled. It is very helpful to assign an adult to accompany students from the dining hall to the infirmary. This will prevent dosages from being missed.

- All prescription and non-prescription medications should be dispensed by Virginia Sabia, R.N., at the Infirmary after meals except inhalers (used as needed) and some topical ointments or creams, or allergic reaction medications (i.e. Epipens for bee stings) which should be with the student at all times.

- Arrangements can be made if a school district wishes to administer the medications to students for convenience, but a Release Form must be signed ahead of time.

- Infirmary hours are one half hour following each meal. Arrangements can be made for off-hours medications. Any medication that needs to be taken when the nurse is unavailable during a class or during the night will be placed in a labeled envelope and given to an authorized adult to dispense, as per Kristen Lupoli, M.D., our school physician.

- Anything that does not require emergency medical treatment or first aid should be brought to the Campus Nurse's attention during Infirmary hours.

- All students must be accompanied by an adult, not a classmate, when going to the Infirmary.

- If Nursing Service is required during off hours or after hours, please call ahead from either the main office, Chiefs Cabin or Staff Lodge. The Infirmary extension number is 17.

- Home-sickness is not a medical condition and the student should not be left in the Infirmary. The student should be kept active and involved, as this may mitigate the problem. In some cases, the child may be so upset he/she will have to be sent home.

- Any student who must be admitted to the Infirmary will be provided with the medical treatment as ordered by the School physician. The NJSOC nurse will administer the treatment in the Infirmary.

- Any need for further medical treatment will be determined by the Campus Nurse after consultation with the School physician. Travel arrangements for treatment at Newton Memorial Hospital Emergency Room will be provided by the School District. If the District cannot provide the transportation, then Blue Ridge Rescue Squad will be called to transport.