

Unalaska City School District
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A Message from the School Nurse

The 2007/2008 school year is here and once again I will be available from 9am-11:30 in the middle/high school and 11:30 - 2:30 in the elementary school all weekdays except Wednesdays. I am very fortunate that our community clinic and school district support having a health professional in the school. It allows me to partner with you as parents and the rest of the school team to help your child perform their best so they are ready to learn and achieve all that is possible for them.

I will continue to assess all injured or ill children while I'm working and will provide emergency first aid and support measures until you can be reached. Therefore, it is critical that you keep the school current with your daytime contact information. If there is any medical condition or change in your child's health, please notify me.

I will also continue to do various health screenings and make appropriate referrals during the school year, but let me remind you that this shouldn't take the place of a yearly physical, eye or dental exam. These exams are a part of good preventative medical care for your child. If there are financial concerns, I can also assist in providing information about Denali Kid care and various payment options available for these services.

If you are wondering if you should send a child to school who has been ill, a good rule to follow is to wait at least 24 hours if they have had a fever, diarrhea or vomiting, even if they tell you otherwise. Also, a cough that is not controlled poses a threat to others around your child, and should also be considered a reason to rest before returning to school.

Immunization records will be recorded on your child and if your child is not in compliance with the Alaska requirements, you will be asked to see the public health nurse or clinic for the immunizations needed. State law requires up-to-date immunizations to be in school.

School nurses can also provide health counseling for students, parents and staff and can serve as a good resource for health problems, health care and self-care. I invite you to stop in and see me or contact me whenever you have questions or concerns at 581-1222 or e-mail me at whladick@ucsd.net

We can all help to make this year a healthy one at UCSD!
Wendy Hladick, RN, PA-C