

A note from the School Nurse

As you prepare for your student's return to school, please remember the following **MANDATORY** health related protocols!

**HEALTH PLANS:**

According to Washington State Law (RCW 28A.210.320), students with a life-threatening health conditions\* cannot attend school unless the following conditions are met:

A [Medication in School Form](#) must be signed and returned to the school.

**AND**

An *Individualized Health Care Plan (IHP)* must be signed and completed with the school Nurse **prior** to the first day of school.

An IHP may be required for other medical conditions. Please contact the school Nurse with any questions.

\*The law defines a life-threatening condition as a "health condition that will put the child in danger of death during the school day if a medication or treatment order and a nursing care plan is not in place."

**IMMUNIZATIONS:**

Many students are out of compliance with immunizations. Please verify if your student is in compliance with your healthcare provider. Send written, verifiable proof of vaccination to the office online or in person as soon as possible! **Students must be up to date prior to attending school!**

If we do not receive documentation by August 26th, by law, we must send you a Notice of Exclusion for Immunization Noncompliance. This will explain that your child cannot attend school until you provide the required immunization documentation, per RCW 28A.210.120. Valid documentation includes medical records showing vaccination or a completed Certificate of Exemption (COE) form.

Please visit <https://vansd.org/health-information/> for more information.

**MEDICATIONS:**

If your student needs any medication while at school, A [Medication in School Form](#) must be completed and signed by the Doctor and Parent/Guardian. The form and the medication must be brought to school **by Friday August 26<sup>th</sup>**.

Please reach out to Joy Feltz, RN if you have any questions at [Joy.Feltz@vansd.org](mailto:Joy.Feltz@vansd.org) or at 360-313-3248.