

POMONA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Health Services and Programs/Overview

Pomona Unified School District supports the philosophy of preventive health and the resolution or modification of existing health problems. A combination of health education at home and at school, as well as regular health assessments, is important to a student's optimal learning capabilities. Students are encouraged to take responsibility for practicing good health maintenance through health teaching in the classroom and personal health counseling as appropriate.

The school site health services program is designed to provide the following: early identification of health problems; child advocacy; leadership and support for health education; expertise in the area of prevention and intervention; and triage and treatment for injury and illness. The following activities are the responsibility of each school nurse:

- Assessing health services and health educational needs of students and families.
- Providing mandated vision, hearing, scoliosis screening, referral and case management as necessary.
- Ensuring adequate immunization status of students.
- Advocating that Special Education pupils with extended learning and/or physical disabilities will be placed in appropriate classes or classroom settings.
- Providing nursing expertise to students, families and staff as appropriate.
- Providing support and leadership regarding child abuse, including prevention education, and reporting of suspected cases.
- Conducting health assessments, screening and case management.
- Providing teachers with resource materials and background for health-related education classes.
- Providing personal health counseling to students, parents and staff as appropriate.
- Assisting families in obtaining appropriate health, medical and social services.
- Implementing innovative programs, which build upon student strengths and ensure optimal learning.
- Acting as liaison between the school and community resources.
- Providing health-related input and expertise to related district programs.

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- Assessing ill and injured students and providing treatment and referral as appropriate.
- Facilitating the administration of medications and specialized health care procedures as ordered by health care providers.
- Promoting a healthy, safe and violent-free environment.

All activities are geared to strengthen and facilitate the educational process by improving and protecting the health status of students and staff.

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