



Appliances/PE Excuses/Returning after Prolonged Absence

CRUTCH/APPLIANCE PROCEDURES

Whenever a student has a condition or injury that requires, crutches, wheel chair, cast, splint, or ACE wrap the parent/guardian must provide a physician order to use the appliance in school. The use of an appliance on school property by a student untrained in their correct use poses a safety risk for both the student and other individuals on the campus. Only a student with a documented injury and who has been trained in the proper use of crutches will be permitted on school property. Before a student may come to school on crutches, wheel chair, cast, splint, or ACE wrap, the family of the injured student must provide to the School Nurse, or designee, written documentation from a physician or other appropriate medical personnel of the following information:

- The use of crutches, wheel chair, cast, splint, or ACE wrap, has been authorized by a physician or other appropriate medical personnel.
- Accommodations and/or restrictions necessary
- The diagnosis and the duration of the authorized use of crutches, wheel chair, cast, splint, or ace wrap.
- Date when the student may return to school
- The student has received training in the use of crutches, particularly on stairs.
- The anticipated length of time the student will be excused from P.E./recess.
- What are the limits of activities once the child is off the crutches?

PE Excuses

An excuse from a **physical education** class may be granted to a student who is unable to participate in regular or modified curriculum for a temporary period of time due to illness or injury. A parent's written request for an excuse will be accepted for up to three days; thereafter, a written request is needed from the student's health care provider

Return to School after Prolonged Illness/Injury

A student returning to school following a serious or prolonged illness, injury, surgery, or other hospitalization (including psychiatric and drug or alcohol inpatient treatment), must have written permission by the health care provider to attend school, including any recommendations regarding physical activity.