



GUIDELINES FOR REFERRAL TO THE HEALTH CLINIC (HEA-G015)

Clarksville-Montgomery County School System

DESCRIPTION: Guidelines and information to assist CMCSS staff in determining whether to send a student to the Health Clinic.

GUIDELINES:

****ALL STUDENTS MUST HAVE A CLINIC REFERRAL FORM
TO BE SEEN IN THE HEALTH CLINIC****

Students without a clinic referral will be returned to the classroom to obtain one. Please take clinic referral forms to recess periods. You must include the child's name, teacher, date, time and concern.

Please include this form in the substitute teacher folder with clinic referral forms.

WHEN TO SEE THE SCHOOL NURSE: *(This list is not all-inclusive)*

Fever- temperature check

Hives

Uncontrolled coughing

Eye drainage

Multiple blisters

Severe dizziness-Call for Nurse

Breathing issues- Call for Nurse

Seizures- Call for Nurse

Serious fall/head injury- Call for Nurse

Unconsciousness- Call for Nurse

Open or draining wounds

Suspicious rashes

Lice/nit confirmation

Bee or wasp stings

Medication administration- student must have written authorization, no medication is given without MD and/or parent consent.

Multiple bug bites/ticks

If you question whether or not a student is ill or injured- send the student or call the nurse.

DO NOT SEND TO NURSE:

Please do not send students to the health clinic during the announced lunch time for your nurse unless it is an emergency or they require a scheduled medication.

Scrapes/cuts- Please keep band-aids in your classroom for scrapes or cuts. Instruct students to wash with soap and water and ask them to use a Band-Aid.

Old injuries/wounds- Ice is NOT indicated for injuries more than 24 hours old. These should be addressed at home with parents.

Loose teeth- Nurses do not pull teeth.



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Itchy skin, dry skin, chapped lips- unless there is an inability to function in the classroom.

Minor injuries- If there is no obvious sign of trauma: (redness, knot forming, bruising) there is no need for an ice pack.

Please do not send more than ONE sick student at a time to the clinic. (Unless it's an emergency)

Nurses do not call home for things not related to healthcare needs.

All nurses must use professional nursing judgment and policy guidelines to determine when a student should be sent home. If there are no signs of illness (fever of 100.0, vomiting, diarrhea, etc.) the student will be sent back to class. **If you feel strongly about not having the student in your classroom please call the parent at your convenience.**

Our nurses are here to assist all students (and staff during emergencies). We will answer any questions or concerns you may have. Our job is also to teach our students how to take care of themselves, to be self-sufficient, and to learn to be responsible for their own well-being.

Thank you for understanding the importance of following the clinic guidelines for the safety of all our students.

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