

END OF YEAR Nurse's Notes

END OF YEAR CELEBRATIONS!

As a reminder, all classroom snacks and any snacks sent in for celebrations with the intention to share, **MUST** be **peanut/tree nut free**. Items that include statements "may contain" and "processed in a facility", will also NOT be allowed. Please refer to the list in FACTS of pre-approved food items. All items will still be reviewed and approved by the school nurse.

MEDICATION PICK UP AND PLANNING FOR NEXT YEAR

If you have provided medication to the nurse's office for this school year, it **MUST** be picked up on the last day of school for your student. Any medications left in the clinic will be **disposed of by 6/10/2023**.

In preparing for next school year, an **UPDATED** medication authorization form and medical condition action plan **MUST** be provided to the school nurse on or before the first day of school. Action Plans and Medication Authorization Forms are located in FACTS under resource documents. If your student is eligible for "self-carry", it must be indicated on the forms by a licensed medical provider.

Remember, per Diocesan Policy, **no medication**, prescription or over the counter, can be dispensed to your student without authorization from a parent **AND** licensed medical provider.

Immunization and School Entrance Health Forms

Students enrolling in **Kindergarten** need to have a <u>Commonwealth of Virginia School</u> <u>Entrance Health form</u>. Physicals, including updated immunizations, must have been <u>on</u> <u>or after August 20th, 2023</u>. Please <u>submit the entire document</u>. This form should not require an additional doctor's visit if they have been seen within this time frame. Many doctor's offices get busy over the summer with form requests, please ask for

this as soon as possible. Your child **CAN NOT** attend school until these papers are provided and are reviewed by the school nurse. Feel free to start sending them in from now.

Rising 7th grade students must provide updated immunization forms showing that they have received a Tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis vaccine (Tdap) and the 1st Meningococcal (ManACWY) vaccine. HPV vaccine is recommended but not required by the Catholic Diocese of Richmond. A formal letter will be sent later this year. As stated above, students **WILL NOT** be allowed to start school without the appropriate immunization records. Please start sending them in from now.

Thank you for taking the time to read these letters. I look forward to taking care of your students next school year.