Dear Parent or Guardian:

Our school’s health services program supports your child’s academic success by promoting health in the school setting in several ways.

The school nurse is available to your child if they become ill or injured while in school. In addition, if your child needs to take medication or has a chronic health condition the nurse will support your child as needed.

Another way that we provide care for your child is by performing the health screenings as mandated by the State of New York. During each school year, the following screenings will be required or completed at school:

**Vision:**
- Distance acuity and near vision for all newly entering students and students in Pre-K/Kindergarten, grades 1, 3, 5, 7, and 11.
- Color perception screening for all newly entering students.

**Hearing:**
- Hearing screening for all newly entering students and students in Pre-K/Kindergarten, grades 1, 3, 5, 7, and 11.

**Scoliosis:**
- Scoliosis (spinal curvature) screening for all girls in grades 5 & 7 and all boys in grade 9.

A letter will be sent home if there are any findings on the screening done at school that would cause concern or need medical follow-up.

If you do not wish for your child to access any of these services, please let us know immediately. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate in calling the Health Office.

Sincerely,

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