



School Health Services

First Baptist School receives health services through Independent School District 196 via the [Minnesota Department of Health Nonpublic Health Funding](#). The Licensed School Nurse provides nursing services to students and supports state health mandates.

Vaccine requirements to attend school:

To enroll in child care, early childhood programs and school in Minnesota, parents or guardians must show that their child has received the [required immunizations](#) for their age or file a [legal exemption](#). Parents may file a medical exemption signed by a health care provider or a conscientious objection signed by a parent or guardian and notarized. ***This information must be on file with the school nurse before the first day of school.***

Rules for taking medications while at school:

To ensure students receive needed medication and that it is not misused, First Baptist has developed rules for the administration of medication in school.

Medication guidelines:

- All prescription medication must be kept in the office of the school nurse and must be administered by the school nurse or other appropriate school personnel, unless the Authorization for Student Possession and Self-medication with Inhaler, Epi-Pen and/or Insulin form at school has been completed and is on file with the school nurse.
- A completed [Prescription Medication Authorization form](#) signed by a student's parent or guardian is required before a school nurse will give a student prescription or non-prescription medication. This form is available from your child's school nurse.
- All medication should be in a labeled prescription bottle or in the original packaging.
- Health services staff will administer only medication that is listed and described in the standard physician's desk reference (PDR) or the over the counter (OTC) PDR. Only FDA approved medications will be administered.
- If medication is to be given for more than two weeks, a written order from a physician or dentist must be provided to the school.
- If prescription medication remains in the nurse's office after the end of a school year or when the student is no longer attending the school, the nurse will contact the student's parent or guardian to pick up the medication. If the medication is not picked up within one month, it will be destroyed.
- Questions concerning inhalers, insulin and Epi-Pens should be discussed with your school nurse.



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Life-threatening Conditions and Health Plans:

Students who have chronic health conditions that could result in a life-threatening emergency will require medical documentation from a healthcare provider and be signed by a student's parent or guardian. Forms for common health conditions are available from your child's school nurse or found on our [forms webpage](#):

- [Allergies](#)
- [Asthma](#)

Vision and Hearing Screenings:

Impaired vision and/or hearing can drastically impact a child's ability to learn. Licensed School Nurses are trained to identify vision and hearing issues and to work with families to find solutions. We routinely screen students onsite at school:

- Vision is screened for students in grades 1, 3, 5, 7, and 10
- Color vision screening is completed on 1st grade boys only
- Hearing is screened for students in grades 2 and 4
- Vision and/or hearing screenings may be completed when requested by a teacher, parent/guardian or student or when a student is being evaluated for specialized services including special education
- Parents will be notified of students who do not pass a screening. They will receive a referral form that should be completed by a healthcare provider and then returned to the school health office
- Reach out to your school nurse if you need assistance with vision and hearing resources or if you have concerns about your child being screened

Sports physicals:

Any student in grades 6-12 participating in athletics must have a current [Minnesota State High School Sports League Sports Qualifying Physical Examination Clearance Form](#) on file. The form must:

- state the date the exam was performed,
- be signed by a physician, nurse practitioner or a physician's assistant,
- state that the child is cleared to participate in the sports and/or activities they intend to pursue, and
- be done within the past three years.

Submit completed forms to your child's school. Completed physical examination forms are kept in the school health office. For more information on physical examination requirements, contact the nurse at your child's school.

Please note:

After major surgery or serious illness or injury, a physician must certify in writing the student's readiness for participation in athletics.