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Memo from the Nurses

We miss you and look forward to working with you and your child whether virtual or in person. Although much has changed this year, some has not. Families play a HUGE role in helping your child adjust to changes they may see. Here are BIG ways you can help:

- The State of Wisconsin requires each school to have a record of your child's **immunizations** or a signed waiver whether on campus or virtually. Students entering 4K, Kindergarten, 6th grade and new students to the district are likely needing immunizations to start the school year. Please reach out to your child's doctor, the health department (785-9723) or your school nurse with questions or assistance with appointments. ExpressCare is also now an option for receiving immunizations; call prior to arrival.
- For consistency, we encourage **medication** to be given at **home** if possible.* With various school plans because of COVID, there is an increased chance your child may be part time at home and part time at school. Having meds given at home would eliminate your child's meds being at the wrong place at the wrong time.
***If medication is absolutely necessary to be given at school, such as emergency medications (Epipen, etc),** you will need the following: For prescription medication, please provide the School Medication form with your physician's signature and your signature. For over the counter medication, the School Medication form should be signed by the parent. The medications and forms should be delivered to school by a parent or guardian. Link to School Medication form:
<https://www.lacrosseschools.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/01/MEDICATION-FORM-2015.pdf>
- Complete the **online student update**: earlier this summer you received an email to complete this. You can update your child's **health condition(s), your phone numbers, your child's emergency contacts, and their phone numbers**. Please list **three emergency contacts** who can be reached locally to possibly pick up your child. Relatives, friends, and neighbors can be listed. To access the update, please log in to Skyward. For assistance with Skyward access, you can contact your child's school during office hours.
- It will be so important to **keep your child home if ill**. **COVID symptoms** include: * temperature over 100, *cough, *Covid positive test or contact with someone Covid positive, *Shortness of breath, *muscle and body aches without a known cause, *vomiting and diarrhea, * loss of taste and smell.

Please call your school nurse with any health concerns you may have related to your child. We look forward to working with you and your child and appreciate your patience and support during these difficult and changing times. We will continue to work together for the health and safety of staff and students.