

Date: _____8/5/2020_____

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Please let me introduce myself, I am the nurse consultant for Eagle County Charter Academy. My role is to assist the staff and parents at the school to ensure compliance with health standards for Colorado Schools. I make specific recommendations to the school to ensure the health needs of your children are met while attending this school. This is a contract position therefore I am not on-site at the school. However, I make myself available to discuss any health needs your child may have.

If your child has specific health needs that require emergency or routine medications to be taken at school, please contact me or the school directly so we can ensure everything is in place for your child to have a successful school year. If you have already provided these medications and the necessary paperwork to the school, thank you!

Another role I fill is to coordinate and conduct annual vision/hearing screens on children in grades K-3rd, 5th, and 7th, as well as any new students enrolling for the first time in other grades. We do not send individual results home if child passes, you will only receive information if we determine your child may need further evaluation. However, if you ever want to know the specific results, these are on file at the school and can be requested.

KINDERGARTEN and 6th Grade Parents: Please be aware that the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment follows the CDC and ACIP guidelines for immunization practices. Students are required to receive their final doses of DTap, IPV, MMR and varicella by Kindergarten Entry, regardless of age. The Tdap vaccine is required by 6th grade entry, even if the student is under 11 years of age. If there is an incomplete immunization record on file at ECCA, I will directly notify you by email or school letter. At that point, you have 14 days to 1) get the vaccine 2) provide proof of immunization from Dr's office 3) submit a non-medical or medical exemption form or 4) submit a written plan for getting the remaining vaccines signed by you and prescribing physician.

I look forward to working with you, your child, and the staff at Eagle County Charter Academy this year!

Sincerely,

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