

NURSE'S CORNER

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Contact the Nurse

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FIELD DAY INFORMATION

June 7th- Field Day for PreK3, PreK4, and K

June 9th- Field Day for Grades 1-7

Here are some recommended tips which will help to make the day more enjoyable for the children.

Please remember:

- ❖ Please have your child wear gym clothes and sneakers.
- ❖ Children should wear hats to protect them from the sun.
- ❖ Remember to apply sunscreen and insect spray **before** coming to school.
- ❖ Children can become dehydrated quickly so remember to send in their water bottles (no sugary drinks please).
- ❖ Remember to check your children for ticks at night and always after outdoor activities.

You can visit the link below to learn more about Tick-Borne Diseases as well as Tick Prevention and Detection.

[Preventing tick bites | Ticks | CDC](#)

Please see the attachment for a Rhode Island Tick Detective Workbook for Kids. It is a great resource to teach your children about tick prevention and detection.



St. Rocco School is committed to the health, safety, and well-being of our school community. All of us working together with God's help and guidance will keep us going strong.



Check out the link below for some fun summer ideas.

[120 Fun Summer Bucket List Ideas for Families \(2023\)](#)



MEDICATION RETURN

As the school year is ending, we are preparing to return all medications we have here at school for your child. Teachers will be returning medications to an adult at pickup on the last day of school for each grade. Children that self-carry will be given all medications on their last day.

If your child takes the bus, you will need to pick up all medications by the close of the school year.

If the medication is not picked up by June 16th it will be discarded. Please email or call me if you need to request an alternate pick-up time or if you have any questions.

REMINDERS FOR NEXT SCHOOL YEAR

If your child has an allergy or medical condition that requires medication, please send in medications for the first day of school. It is very important to have all the medications on hand that your child needs while at school, especially EpiPens and inhalers, which are needed in the event of an emergency. Please send in the prescription in its original packaging along with the physician's order. **Existing orders must be renewed every school year.** If your child no longer requires medication or a health issue has been resolved please contact me to update your child's medical information record as well as providing documentation from their healthcare provider. If your child has a new medical diagnosis, please let us know.

If your child requires any medications at school the following procedures must be followed:

- The parent/guardian presents a written order from the child's physician.
- An **adult** brings the medication in the original prescription bottle properly labeled by a pharmacist as required by RI state law.
- Over-the-counter medications may be given with parent permission stating the medication, dose, and reason for medication.
- All forms from the physician can be sent to the school in a sealed envelope, faxed or scanned, and emailed to the school nurse.
- Asthma Action Plans are required for any student with asthma.
- SRS Medication Consent forms can be found on the school website under the Nurse's Corner.

SCHOOL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS- 2023-2024

In preparation for the upcoming school year, I'd like to provide a friendly reminder of health requirements for students. I know it's early to be providing this notice, but I want to provide enough time to schedule appointments for the necessary screenings and vaccinations. If your child has not received the required vaccinations for the grade they are entering, please make an appointment with their pediatrician. Please contact me with any questions or concerns.

Health Requirements for Students:

Physical Exams: Please send in a copy (email- cboscia@stroccoschool.org, fax (401-944-3019), or paper copy) before the first day of school, if you have not done so already.

A physical exam dated within the 12 months is required for the following students: new students, students entering Preschool, Kindergarten, 4th, and 7th grade.

Immunizations: Please send in a copy (email- cboscia@stroccoschool.org, fax (401-944-3019), or paper copy) before the first day of school, if you have not done so already.

A new immunization record is required for: new students, students entering Preschool, Kindergarten, 7th, and 8th grade.

Please Note: All information requested is *required by* the RI Department of Health. **Your child will not be able to attend school if the requirements are not met. If your child is on a catch-up schedule for immunizations, please contact me for the documentation form.**

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns regarding the above information. I hope the rest of the school year is wonderful for you all and you have a blessed summer vacation with your children. Congratulations to our upcoming 8th grade graduates. I wish all of them the very best in high school next year and may God bless them in their future endeavors.

Happy End of Year and Summer,

Nurse Cheryl