

Hello Parents, Guardians and families of Christ the King students!

My name is Rhea Jagodzinski, the children call me Mrs. J., and I am your child's school nurse. This is my *ninth* year at Christ the King and I have been a Registered Nurse for 34 years, and a Licensed School Nurse for over 23 years.

Welcome to the 2017-2018 year! It is again with great pleasure that I am a part of your child's educational and personal growth while at Christ the King. Healthy students are healthy learners! The Leader in Me Habits we practice here at Christ the King are excellent ways for the children to be in charge of what it means to have a healthy lifestyle.

The following information will be helpful to you this year and never hesitate to phone me if you have questions and/or concerns regarding your child. Please also consult the handbook for other health related information.

School Clinic office hours are: 9:30am to 2:00pm Monday through Friday

Please call the clinic number, **419-214-5635** should you need to speak with me, report absences, illnesses or other pertinent health care issues.

I would like to call your attention to some very important matters that concern the health records of the students. It is imperative that ALL **Emergency Medical Authorizations** forms are turned into the school as *soon as possible*.

There are **certain** Immunization requirements for those entering **Kindergarten** and **Seventh** grade and these *must* be on record for the new school year. The State of Ohio mandates that a completed immunization record for your child be turned in for their health folders.

If your child has had any new immunizations, please send their record in regardless of grade they are entering.

I want to personally thank those who have already submitted these items to the office. State health verification requirements are to be filed soon and I would like our school to be in 100% compliance. I will be sending out emails if I have questions concerning your child's health information.

Vision and Hearing screenings for students "new" to the school, and those in **K, 1st, 3rd, 5th and 7th grade levels** will begin in the months ahead so that I may assess the needs of the students. If your child wears glasses or contacts, hearing aids or adaptive equipment, please make sure that they wear/use them as prescribed. Should you feel that there may be a need for your student to have these screenings and they are not in the mentioned grade levels, please write or email me with your requests/needs.

This is the time of the year when seasons change and a "batch of new germs" arise among the students; allergies and asthma may flare up, along with colds and runny noses. Please make sure that the children are washing their hands, eating well, and getting enough rest/sleep. Hand washing is our most important defense. Let us be great role models for the children!

IMPORTANT NOTE:

If it is necessary to administer medications at school, prescribed or over-the-counter, this includes rescue inhalers, Epi-Pen injectors, and aerosol treatments, specific forms must be filled out by both the parent/guardian and the physician. Please contact me if you feel that this may apply to your child. Forms may be downloaded from our CK school website.

Please also note that *no child* is to carry medicines on their person unless specifically directed by their physician (Epi-Pens and Inhalers are allowed if proper forms have been completed.)

Again, I am looking forward to keeping the school and the children in the best of health!

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