JFK School
Holbrook Public Schools
Health Services Summary
2017/2018 School Year:
A presentation for stakeholders

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Annual Update

As you know, this year we are housed in our brand new Pre K - 12 building complex. Health services are offered in a state of the art health office with more space and updated facilities. This allows nursing to provide efficient care while allowing greater privacy for students and families.

The new facility brought a new staffing pattern which has the JFK health office servicing 640 students with one full time Registered Nurse along with a part time nurse who works in the office for 1.45 hours per day. The staffing works well on a day to day basis as the support nurse is scheduled for the busiest part of the day (lunch/recess). However, the conduction of mandated health screenings as well as the immense amount of data entry required for our incoming students in August would definitely benefit from additional nursing hours. Students are faced with lengthier visits, longer wait times and less time on learning when the nurse is busy completing these tasks with no support. I ask for administration to consider these staffing needs for the upcoming school year.

The nursing staff would like to thank the school committee, administration, parents and families for their continued support and we welcome ideas and input.
SCHOOL NURSES

The School Nurse is the Health and Wellness Provider in the School Setting.

The School Nurse Works Closely With All School Staff, Parents and Families to Keep Students in Class and Learning!

Healthy Kids = Better Students
Who Visits the Health Office?

Is it the same sick students all the time?  **NO!**

JFK Students

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**93.0%** of JFK Students had an *unscheduled* visit to the school nurse at least once during the school year!
Who Are Our Elementary Children?

• Remarkably, 407 children have a documented medical, psychological or social health condition or require specialty services. This represents 64% of our total student population!
Injury Visits

**What is it:** Falls, Bumps, Sport/Gym Incidents, etc.

**How often:** 2017/2018 the nurse saw:

2,224

Injury Visits
Illness Visits

What is it: Stomach Ache, Headache, "Feels Sick"

How often: 2017/2018 the nurse saw:

2,974

Illness visits
Other Health

**What is it:** Mental Health, Hygiene, Specific Body Issue, incontinence/bathroom, psychosocial concerns

**How often:** 2017/2018 the nurse saw: 1,563 "Other Health" Visits
Medication Administration

**What is it:** Scheduled Prescribed Medications

**How often:** 2017/2018 the JFK Nurse Administered:

1,944 Scheduled Medications
Treatments

What is it: Diabetic Glucose Monitoring, Oxygen Administration, G- Tube feedings, Dressing/Bandage/Burn Care

How often: 2017/2018 the JFK Nurse Provided:

1,083 Treatments
Screenings

What is it: Vision, Hearing, Height/Weight (BMI), scoliosis provided along with the referrals and mandatory notifications

How often: 2017/2018 the JFK Nurse Performed

2,089 SCREENINGS

Completion and scheduling of screenings relied heavily on the nursing students from Brockton Hospital School of Nursing as well as additional hours from the HPS nursing staff.
Management

What is it: Updating health records, Transferring Students in/out of district, Communication with parents, MD, Medical Specialists, Immunization compliance, absence records and follow-up care

How often: 2017/2018 the JFK Nurse had: 3,772 Management Visits
Nurses Are Key in Returning Students to Class

At the JFK, after a student is accurately assessed and treated by the Registered Nurse, they return to class 96% of the time!

This aligns with school health research that shows that when a full time RN is present, students are dismissed 5% of the time. When other personnel are providing care, students are dismissed 18% of the time (Pennington & Delaney 2008)
How Long Are Nurse Visits?

I work hard to maintain an efficient health office by assessing and treating students accurately and quickly.

This year, 93% of student visits were 19 minutes or less
More Than Visits: Specific Health Services

In 2017/2018 the JFK School also managed the following during the school year:

• 77 students with Asthma Diagnosis
• 49 students with Food Allergies
• 47 students with ADHD Diagnosis
• 3 students in W/C, 3 students with Gtubes

*These numbers and diagnosis may be higher if the family or MD does not share information with the school nurse.
JFK Health Office Info:

• Medical records get transferred with students as they move in and out of the district. During 2017/2018, the school nurse assisted with 36 transfers of students *during* the school year (Aug – June).

• Coordinated the MA Kidz Healthy Smiles Dental Program. 2017/2018 had 90 JFK students participate in the free dental cleaning and screening program

• Coordinated and presented Growth and Development class to all fifth grade students (in collaboration with guidance)

• Maintained health website on Holbrook Public Schools website
Questions?? Concerns??

I hope this report provided an overview of how the school nurse contributes to the school community. My job depends on two way communication and input from YOU!
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Thanks for Allowing me to Provide the Best Care to the Students of Holbrook!