

Healthcare Services Annual Notice & Parent Exemption Option

House Bill 8 (2025), O.R.C. §3313.473

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Wayne Local School District is committed to the health and well-being of all students. As part of our school health services, several physical and mental healthcare services are provided as part of this commitment. Some of these services are required to be provided by the School District, and others are options. This Notice is to inform you of the health care services offered within the School District, and whether your consent is required for the same.

Nursing Healthcare Services

General Clinic Services include, but are not limited to, acute visits for concerns such as first aid, unanticipated minor injuries, emergencies, headaches, loose tooth, stomach ache, and acute injury. These are generally provided without parental consent in advance.

Individual Healthcare Services are procedural services deemed necessary by a student's physician and/or parent, including but not limited to medication administration, tube feedings, diabetic care, asthma management, seizure management, and allergy management. This is coordinated through physician orders provided by the parent in advance. No medication administration or Individual Healthcare Services are provided without parental consent in advance.

State-Required Hearing and Vision Screenings are offered to all students at no cost to families and are administered according to state guidelines. These screenings are required annually for preschool and kindergarten students, and every other year for grades 1-12. Parents may choose to opt out of these state required screenings by contacting their school nurse.

Mental Health Services

School Counselor Services include:

- **Academic Services** include academic advising, course scheduling, coursework management, setting educational goals, and post-secondary planning. These services are provided to all students by school guidance counselor(s). Parent consent is not required for these services.
- **Emotional Support** includes resilience, coping, growth mindset strategies, peer conflict management, emotional regulation, and grief support. Parents are not required to provide consent for these services. Parents are notified of a substantial change in a student's use of these services as required under state law.

Emotional Mental Healthcare Services include a calming space. Parents may opt out of these mental health services by contacting their school counselor.

Private Mental Healthcare Services include mental health services provided in the school setting through a private provider that is contracted through the School District. These services

are not provided unless parental consent is obtained in advance, and all services are coordinated between parents and the private provider. These services may also be available through private providers in the community or through your student's physician's office.

Parent/Guardian Consent Will Be Obtained For:

- Individual Healthcare Services
- Private Mental Healthcare Services

Parental consent to any services outlined in this Notice does not waive the parent's right to access the student's educational or health records or to be notified about a change in the Student's services or monitoring as provided by law.

For questions or more information, please contact Kevin Wright, Director of Student Services, at (513) 897-6971.