

# GENERAL SCHOOL POLICIES

## Student Health and Safety

### Illness and Emergency

In the interest of the ill child and those they may infect, students who are ill should not come to school. Students with fever (100.4 degrees or higher before medication), vomiting, or diarrhea should be symptom-free, without the aid of medication, for twenty-four hours before returning to school. Please do not bring a sick child to school.

If a student becomes ill at school, the parent or other designated contact will be called to take the student home. Students will be sent home with a fever of 100.4 degrees or higher, or when the student has an infection, rash, or other contagious illness. The student will be removed from the classroom and held in the office until a parent or other designated contact arrives to take the child home. Please do not send the student back to school until he or she remains fever free, as well as no vomiting or diarrhea, without the aid of medication, for twenty-four hours.

Minor first aid will be administered by the school nurse or school staff as necessary. Serious injuries will receive first aid by the school nurse, school staff first on scene, or by the emergency service of the Granbury Fire Department and EMS. Parents are required to sign an authorization for emergency care, which identifies the physician and hospital preferred in the event that the parents cannot be reached. Parents should keep this information current by notifying the school of any changes.

### Immunizations

CCA and the Texas childcare licensing regulations require that each student's personal immunization record (showing dates and kinds of immunizations received for each student) be current and must be retained on file in the school office. All immunizations must be validated by the doctor or health clinic. Students without proper immunizations or records cannot be in school per Texas State Law.

### Medication

To comply with Texas State Law, the following applies to the administration of medications by students while at school:

- All prescription medication must be kept in the nurse's office. Over the counter medication for students must be kept in the nurse's office.
- Parent/Guardian must complete an authorization for medication administration form before any medicine is given at school, including over the counter medications. Forms are available from the school office.
- Medication must be received in the original container and have a current expiration date. The medicine must be age appropriate and labeled for use for the student's age.
- Prescription medicine must be received in the original container from the pharmacy labeled with the physician's name, the student's name, name of the medicine, dosage and times to be given.
- If your child needs over the counter medication on a chronic basis Cornerstone may require a physician authorization to continue usage of medication at school.

Medication safety is extremely important. Please help us keep our students safe by following these procedures. Please contact the school nurse if you have any questions or concerns. **Note: Medication sent in baggies and other unlabeled containers will not be given.** All medication will be stored and administered in the school

office by school personnel who will record each administration. Students may not give any over the counter medications to another student for any reason.