



## Welcome to Bigfork School and hello from the nurse's office!!

**Medications**—(Prescription and Over the Counter) Student medications are to be kept in the nurse's office and must have a doctor's order and signed parental consent to be administered per our school policy. Parents may pick up the proper forms in my office or download them from our web page. I do have a standing order from a local physician for Tylenol and Ibuprofen that I can administer if I have parent permission.

**Emergency Medication**—There are some medications that students may carry with them like inhalers and Epi pens if the proper forms are filled out and signed by your doctor. If your child carries these medications, please let me know so that the proper paperwork can be filled out and the proper staff can be notified. Parents are encouraged to keep a backup supply of their child's emergency medication in the nurse's office.

**Health Alerts**—Some students at our school have **Emergency Care Plans** for health issues like asthma, seizures, diabetes, or allergies. If you feel like one of these plans is necessary for your child please see me in the nurse's office for discussion and formulation of the plan.

**Screenings**--These screenings are typically done in October or November. **Vision** (Kinder, 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>) **Hearing** (Kinder, 1<sup>st</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>). **Dental**—grade levels vary based on availability of dentist.

## Other school wide emergency preparedness information:

**AED's**--Bigfork School has several AED's (Automated external defibrillators) in the following locations:

1. Nurse's office in elementary building
2. Elementary cafeteria outside of west door to gym
3. High School Foyer near restrooms
4. District Office
5. Football field coaches office
6. Shop building in hallway corridor
7. Activities director emergency backpack
8. Check out-seasonal sports for coaches
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**Trauma kits**--There are also Trauma Kits with each AED at our school which includes special bleeding control gauze and tourniquets. Each staff member also has a trauma kit in their emergency backpack/first aid kit.

## Epi Pens–

Bigfork School also has non student specific Epi Pens available for trained staff to use if they suspect a student is having a first time anaphylactic reaction. Adult and Pediatric Epi pens are in the yellow wall cases in the following locations.

1. Nurse's office yellow wall cabinet in elementary building
2. High school office in yellow wall case by First Aid wall case
3. Shop Building hallway corridor yellow case next to AED

## Narcan-Opioid Antagonist

Bigfork school also has Narcan nasal spray (opioid antagonist) in the following locations to be used in the event of an actual/perceived student opioid overdose. Properly trained staff may now administer Narcan to a student under our new school policy.

Narcan is in the following locations:

1. HS office
2. Elementary/MS office
3. SRO-Paula Sullivan

I am so excited for the school year and I am always looking for more ways to support the students teachers, and families at our school!!! **Please stop by my office and say hello!!**

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