



School Quality Standards

-Adopted by the VT Legislature & VT Department of Education

2120.8.5 Health Services

(a) Health services, including health appraisal, counseling, communicable disease control, and emergency and first aid care, shall be made available in a confidential manner students

in each school. These health services shall be delivered in accordance with the school district's written policies and procedures which shall be developed in collaboration with parents and community health resources. The school shall comply with requirements of state law relative to vision and hearing screening, immunization, and child abuse reporting,

and federal law relating to invasive physical examinations in accordance with the Protection of Pupil Rights Act (20 U.S.C. §232h, as amended from time to time).

(b) Each school shall engage the services of a person licensed as a School Nurse or Associate School Nurse and shall specify in writing his or her duties. There shall be no more than 500 students per school nurse. Schools with fewer than 500 students shall employ a nurse at least proportionate to the ratio of the number of students to 500.

Notwithstanding the ratios set forth above, a school shall provide for sufficient coverage by a School Nurse or an Associate School Nurse to develop individual health care plans (IHPs), train staff on the implementation of IHPs, and ensure appropriate administration of medication.
