



Raphael Health Center

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Shortridge High School and Raphael Health Center, Inc. (located at 401 East 34th Street), have collaborated to assure quality health services are provided to all students. The clinic has a nurse working daily, during school hours. Examples of the types of care the nurse may provide include:

- Taking temperatures and communicating with parents when children are ill
- Giving prescribed medication as authorized
- Diabetic students: test sugars, give insulin as authorized
- Asthmatic students: nebulizer treatments or inhalers as authorized, follow Asthma Action Plan
- Students with Seizures: stabilize, protect airway
- Students with specialized medical needs as outlined in their IEP: ostomies, catheterizations, hygiene, dressing changes, tube feedings
- Responding to emergencies and assuring communication to/with school staff and parents/guardians is both timely, clear and efficient.

Raphael Health Center may (at specific days and times), offer primary health care services for your child while they are in school. These services will be provided by a Nurse Practitioner (an Advanced Practice Nurse with a Master's degree or higher that has been trained to diagnose and treat patients). Notices will be sent to parents/guardians when specific times/dates are planned for primary care services on site.

Consent forms are required to be seen by the Nurse Practitioner when Raphael has primary care clinic hours at the school.

Examples of services provided:

- Sport and camp physicals
- First aid for acute illness or injury
- Diagnosis and treatment of infections (ear infections, strep throat, pink eye, etc.)
- Assistance in chronic care management (asthma, ADHD, seizure disorders, diabetes, etc.)
- Assistance in finding a Primary Care Provider
- Immunizations (scheduled)
- Referrals to other medical and social services as needed

Services not provided Treatment of complex medical or mental health problems; X-rays, hospitalizations, etc.

Our services do not replace your child's primary care provider (should you have an established primary care provider relationship). Raphael's intent is to expand access to healthcare by working with families and their health providers to offer quality health care in the school setting, during the school day.

In accordance with Indiana State Law, all families wishing to receive health services from Raphael Health Center's school-based clinic at Shortridge High School **must sign the Consent to Treat form**. In addition, additional information on the Health History form is required for your student to see the Nurse Practitioner. Any information given will remain confidential as part of your child's medical record.

Primary Health Care provider visit are provided at no cost to you or your family. Raphael Health Center will bill and collect from Medicaid (Hoosier Healthwise) and other third party health insurance your child may have. Raphael has a Sliding Scale-Nominal Fee program for those who are un/underinsured. Raphael never turns a patient away for inability to pay. Thank you for your cooperation and allowing us to participate in your child's health care needs.

Our mission is to provide community-based, full service health care of the highest quality with respect and dignity for all people including the underserved and uninsured within a setting that shares the love and healing of Jesus Christ.