



# SCHOOL NURSING REPORT 2010-2011

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**Our Licensed School Nurses**

- KHS/KJH– Eva Garchar RN
- CIS-Cheri Hunkemoeller RN
- JFB– Karen Ferrarelli RN
- KME– Julie Muskal RN
- SLE– Lois Wiethe RN
- Our School Nurses at Kings Local hold licenses through the Ohio Board of Nursing and the Ohio Department of Education.
- All of our School Nurses also hold National Board Certification!



## MEETING STUDENTS' HEALTH NEEDS

Researchers report an increase in the rates of chronic illness seen in children. These trends are reflected here in our student population at Kings. Even though our enrollment numbers haven't increased significantly over the years, the number of students with chronic illness has. Access to a school nurse minimizes health related barriers to learning. Nursing assessment, planning, intervention and evaluation are key for students with chronic illness.

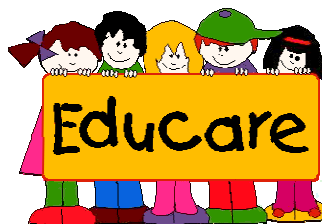
	<u>2003-2004</u>	<u>2010-2011</u>
Enrollment	3,701	3,895
Asthma	245	406
ADD/ADHD	155	295
Cardiac Disorder	24	34
Diabetes	13	22
Headache/Migraines	80	129
Psychological Disorders	42	130
Seizure Disorder	22	49
Severe Allergy (EPIPEN)	25	52



## DIRECT CARE TO STUDENTS

The school nurse provides direct care to students and staff for illness and injury as well as case management services for students with special health care needs. During the 2010-2011 school year, there were **26,124** documented health room visits by students and staff.

Medication administration at school is necessary for students in order to minimize any barriers to the process of education. The number of doses of medications administered at school during the 2010-2011 school year was **11,245**. School nurses ensure the safe delivery of those medications while students are here on campus as well as when they are away on field trips.



## HEALTH SCREENINGS & REFERRALS

Health screenings are important in that early detection of health concerns can decrease the negative effects of health problems on learning. Early identification, referrals to health providers, and partnerships with community agencies are imperative for student success.

There were **3,848** health screenings done last year with **208** referrals. The nurses at Kings have partnered with Prevent Blindness of Ohio and LensCrafters and are able to assist families with exams and glasses. As members of the National Association of School Nurses, our nurses are also able to obtain additional gift certificates for exams and glasses.



## PROMOTION OF HEALTHY SCHOOLS

*"We cannot educate children unless they are healthy, and children cannot be healthy unless they are educated...."*

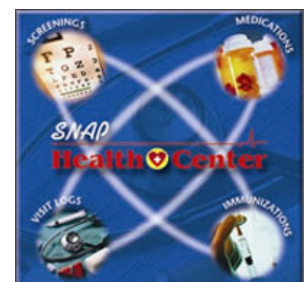
*Jocelyn Elders, MD*

The school nurse provides for the safety of the school community by ensuring state immunization compliance against infectious diseases, excluding ill students as appropriate to decrease the spread of infection to others, and reporting communicable diseases to our local health department as required by law. Health promotion and disease prevention information is shared with students and staff.



## LEADERSHIP FOR THE PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES

As the health care expert in the school setting, the school nurse develops plans of care for students. These plans of care are individualized and assure the safety of students with health needs. Health plans are shared with educational staff in a confidential manner. All documentation of services is done electronically through a professional school nurse software program.



# LEADERSHIP ROLE FOR HEALTH POLICIES AND PROGRAMS

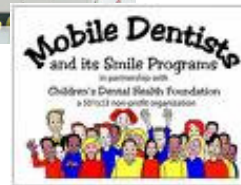
The school nurse takes a leadership role in health policies and programs for the school community. These include health promotion, crisis/disaster management, emergency response, acute and chronic disease management and infectious disease prevention and control.

Every year our Kings Local school staff is provided free CPR/AED training by our school nurses; ensuring a safe school environment in a cost-effective manner.



## LIASON BETWEEN SCHOOLS & COMMUNITY

The school nurse is the liaison between schools, families, health care professionals and community partners. There were over **4,000** contacts with parents via phone or personal meetings to discuss student health concerns last year. School nurses collaborate with community resources for onsite programming.



**HEALTHWORKS**  
Organizational Health Enhancement

*“There is a recognized correlation between health and learning as there is between school nurse availability and student well-being and educational success.”*

## HEALTH PROMOTION

The school nurse promotes health by providing health education, and health information for students, families, and staff. Nurses were in our classrooms teaching first aid, CPR, dental health, nutrition, and hand washing.

