

# How is Student Health accessed?

School personnel (teachers or administrators) as well as other professionals can make referrals to Student Health, in consultation with parents.

Two forms must be completed before services can be initiated:

- Request for Student Health Services
- Parental Consent for Services

Both forms should be available in school offices; however, electronic copies of the forms can be obtained by contacting the Coordinator (see contact information).

Once completed forms have been received and reviewed by the relevant discipline, a service provider will contact the school to make an appointment.

Services are free of charge for schools.



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# Student Health Services

## Information for Schools



**Southeastern Alberta  
Student Health Partnership**

## What is Student Health?

Student Health is a joint endeavor of Alberta Education, Health and Wellness, and Children and Youth Services.

Student Health enhances school-based access to health and related support services for children and youth with special needs.

The goal is to enable these students to be successful in their school programs.

### Who is eligible?

Any student with an identified, unmet need who is enrolled in an ECS to Grade 12 program may receive services.

Typically, students who are referred to Student Health services have a need (physical, developmental, emotional, behavioural) that prevents them from taking full advantage of their educational program.

Although any student may be referred to Student Health, priority for services will be based on urgency of need in order to ensure that those most requiring the services receive them first.

## Student Health Partners

In the southeast Alberta region, Student Health is overseen by the Southeastern Alberta Student Health Partnership which is made up of the following partners:

- Alberta Health Services
- Southeast Alberta Child & Family Services Authority
- Medicine Hat School District No. 76
- Medicine Hat Catholic Separate Regional Division #20
- Prairie Rose School Division No. 8
- Grasslands Public Schools
- Christ the Redeemer Catholic Separate Regional Division No 3
- Conseil Scolaire du Sud de l'Alberta
- Charter and private schools
- Early Childhood Service providers



## What services are available?

The following key services are offered to all schools in the region:

- Emotional/Behavioural Supports
- Speech and Language Services (elementary grades only)
- Physical Therapy Services
- Occupational Therapy Services
- Respiratory Therapy Services

Services are typically offered from September to June and are provided in the classroom or on an individual basis within the school building. Most services are customized to meet individual needs, with involvement from parents, teachers, and other education personnel whenever possible.

The role of service providers varies depending on the specific needs of the child and may include assessment, consultation, therapy, counselling, and/or monitoring.

Service providers generally focus on short-term goals that have a lasting impact in helping students reach their learning potential.