



Dear Parent/Guardian,

The School District of Beloit is delighted to continue our partnership with Beloit Health System to provide quality healthcare services to our students. Our mission is to make medical and mental health services more accessible with a focus on student wellness. The Student Health and Wellness Center (SHWC) will aim to reduce health related absences by treating students right away in an environment they are most comfortable, at school. In addition, students will miss less instruction time that would otherwise be spent traveling to and from appointments. Reduced absences and more time spent in class will ultimately have a positive impact on student achievement. The SHWC is conveniently located within Beloit Memorial High School (BMHS) in Room D111. A Certified Medical Assistant, a Nurse Practitioner, and a Licensed Professional Counselor will staff the SHWC. Typical services include:

- *Sports physicals / School physicals*
- *Well-child visits and immunizations*
- *Diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic disease*
- *Assessment and treatment of minor injuries*
- *Mental Health and Substance Use Counseling*
- *Referral to appropriate agencies*
- *Contraceptives will NOT be dispensed or prescribed at the School-Based Health Center*

The SHWC accepts most health insurance plans. If your child is insured, your insurance will be billed for services provided, whether this is Medicaid or commercial health insurance. Students will not be refused care based on their ability to pay. Students must have a consent form signed by their parent or guardian or where applicable under the law to access the SHWC.

The SHWC is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Please stop in or call to schedule an appointment, 608-361-3032.

For parents/guardians: *If you want your child to have access to the Student Health and Wellness Center, please fill out the enclosed consent form and return it to the BMHS School Nurse, Karla Smith, RN. Under Wisconsin Law, there are circumstances where minors have the right to consent, on their own, to confidential healthcare. These circumstances may include STI testing, treatment & education, pregnancy testing & education, and substance abuse counseling.*

A parent or guardian may choose to opt their child out of all services offered at the Student Health and Wellness Center. If you do not want your child to access any and all services offered at the Health Center, please fill out the enclosed opt-out form and return it to the BMHS School Nurse, Karla Smith.

We are extremely excited to offer this opportunity to our students and their families. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our Director of School Health, Tammy Flanders at 608-361-4024 or Tflanders@sdb.k12.wi.us