



If you would like to schedule an appointment for the School Health Center, or if you have any questions, please call  
**(415) 242-2615**  
and ask for the School Health Center.

# San Francisco Unified School District



Student  
Family &  
Community **SUPPORT**

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## **SCHOOL HEALTH CENTER**

1515 Quintara Street  
San Francisco, CA 94116  
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### **What is the School Health Center?**

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The School Health Center was started by San Francisco Unified School District's Student, Family, and Community Support Department—formerly School Health Programs Department, in January, 1992. The purpose of the center is to assess elementary school children for health problems that may be interfering with their learning. As part of the SFUSD, School Health Center staff can work closely with children, parents/caregivers, classroom teachers, school administrators and Student Support staff to identify and manage problems that impair student attendance, achievement, developmental and social success. Children in need of continued health follow-up will be referred to a health provider in the community.

### **Who will be assessing the children?**

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Children will be assessed by nurse practitioners, who are Master's trained registered nurses and hold public health certificates and school nurse credentials.

### **The following services are provided by the School Health Center**

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- Physical examination and neurological screening
- Hearing and vision screening
- Developmental, language, and learning screening
- Blood test for iron deficiency and urinalysis
- Parent/guardian interview to obtain complete health history
- Immunizations and TB skin tests
- Referral to primary care providers, community agencies, and case management
- Communication and written reports to school staff with parental consent
- Collaboration with school site staff to plan for helpful interventions to promote successful school experiences
- Assistance obtaining gov't insurance

### **Who can come to the School Health Center?**

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Children enrolled in San Francisco Unified School District elementary schools are eligible for services at the School Health Center if they do not have a regular health care provider, or are unable to obtain these services from their provider. Children should be eligible or have government-sponsored health insurance. Those children with private health insurance are not eligible for well-child exams.

### **How can a child be referred to the School Health Center?**

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Parents/caregivers, school administrators and other school staff can refer children to the School Health Center. Parents/caregivers should be encouraged to call **242-2615** to schedule an appointment.

### **How much does it cost to be seen at the School Health Center?**

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The services of the School Health Center are free. All elementary school children with no health insurance or with government-sponsored health insurance are eligible for services. Families without health insurance can be enrolled in government-sponsored insurance, if eligible.

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