

Welcome from the Nurse's Office

We are so glad your family has joined the Ithaca Waldorf School (IWS) community!

As a part of the registration process, you will find enclosed a number of documents related to your child's health and safety while attending school. First, you will find a Health History form. This helps the nurse know a little more about your child such as where they are coming from, what providers to coordinate with, and if you as the parent have any medical concerns that could affect their education.

Second, you will find a Release of Information form. This form needs to be filled out in its entirety and signed and dated at the bottom. This is the form the nurse needs to share information with your doctor, retrieve records for state required immunizations, request vision/hearing screens from your doctor, etc. We ask that if your child's primary care provider (PCP) changes, you alert the nurse so that a new form can be completed for the correct provider.

Third, you will find a copy of the New York State Immunization Requirements for School Attendance, as well as the CDC Immunization Catch-up Schedule, and the New York State Screening Requirements. These documents are very important because they help parents better understand why IWS requires the vaccination at the times requested from families that are not exempt.

We highly suggest that if your child's vaccines are not fully up-to-date, you work with your PCP over the summer to meet the requirements so that your child will not be excluded from school. Summertime is also a great time to complete your child's annual Wellness check to ensure that vision and hearing screenings are done before reentering the classroom.

If you have any questions regarding the purpose or completion of these forms, please do not hesitate to contact the Ithaca Waldorf School nurse. Thank you for entrusting us with your child/ren!

Sincerely, Cassie, RN nurse@ithacawaldorf.org