Preschool Health Information for Parents

2026–2027 School Year

Welcome to the Preschool Program at Calvary Christian Academy. The health and safety of our youngest students is a top priority. As a Delaware licensed childcare program, our preschool follows applicable Delaware childcare licensing regulations and health requirements to help provide a safe and healthy learning environment for all children.

Prior to your child's first day of attendance, the following health information and forms are required:

- Current health appraisal/physical examination (completed within the previous 12 months)
- Age-appropriate immunization records or immunizations waiver
- Emergency contact information
- Medication authorization forms (if applicable for prescription medication; voluntary for Over-The-Counter (OTC) medications)
    - A Medication Administration Record (MAR) specific for Pre-K students must be completed by the parent/guardian for each medication (OTC/prescription/emergency) to be administered
    - The OTC Standing Order (pre-signed by a medical provider for CCA students) must be signed by the parent/guardian (to complete form, place a check near the OTC medication you give permission for administration
    - Written permission/order from a medical provider is needed for all prescription medications and/or for any OTC medication not listed on the OTC Standing Order form (CCA Medication Action Plan or any written documentation from a medical provider is acceptable)
- Allergy, asthma, seizure, diabetes, or other medical care plans (if applicable)

Parents/guardians are responsible for notifying the school of any medical conditions, allergies, dietary restrictions, medications, or special health needs that may affect their child during the school day.

Medication Information

If your child requires medication while at school:

- Medication must be provided by the parent/guardian
- Medication must be in the original labeled pharmacy or manufacturer container
- Required authorization forms must be completed before medication can be administered

- Expired medications cannot be administered

All medications must be reviewed and approved by the school nurse prior to administration.

Pre-K Medication Drop-Off

- All medications must be delivered directly to the school nurse by a parent/guardian
- Medications may not be left with teachers, classroom staff, or office staff

When to Keep Your Child Home

To help maintain a healthy environment, please keep your child home if they are experiencing:

- Fever
- Vomiting or diarrhea
- Uncontrolled coughing
- Rash of unknown origin
- Symptoms of contagious illness
- Any condition that prevents comfortable participation in school activities

For complete illness exclusion guidelines, return-to-school criteria, and additional health policies, please refer to the Preschool Parent Handbook.

Children may return to school in accordance with the Preschool Parent Handbook, school health guidelines, and/or their healthcare provider's recommendations.

Please Notify the School Nurse If:

- Your child develops a new medical condition
- Medications or emergency care plans change
- Emergency contact information changes
- Your child is diagnosed with a communicable illness

We appreciate your partnership in helping us provide a safe, healthy, and nurturing environment for all preschool students. Please contact the school nurse with any questions regarding health forms, medications, immunizations, or medical concerns.