

School Nurses and Health Fairs

Parent Engagement Opportunities in the School Setting

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Traditional Opportunities

- Routine follow up on immunization requirements
- Registration/enrollment with view of shot records
- Any generic visit to the school clinic office

Non Academic Events

- Incoming student welcome “Meet and Greet” – Spring
- Orientation - Fall
- Open House – varies in timing
- “Coffee with the Principal”
- Health Fairs –elementary school

Challenges

- Lack of vaccine mandate
 - Compliance for all vaccines remains a challenge
- Parent concerns
 - Safety
 - Encourages “sexual activity”
- Providing accurate information while not misrepresenting as a requirement
- Parent relationship with school staff may differ if not a neighborhood school
- Secondary level students want minimum parent involvement
- Costly for schools to print extra materials and may not get home

Thank you

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