



Re: Student Injuries and Insurance
2019-2020 School Year

Dear Parent/Legal Guardian:

At Seattle Public Schools, the safety of our students is one of our most important concerns. Even so, accidents do happen and resulting medical treatment (ambulance transport, surgery, hospitalization, etc.) can be very expensive.

Please know that the District **does not** assume responsibility for these costs. However, as a service to you and your child, our school district has joined with many other member districts of the Washington Schools Risk Management Pool to offer you access to a low cost, voluntary purchase student accident/sickness insurance program. The program is arranged and administered by Myers-Stevens & Toohey & Co., Inc. a firm that has specialized in such coverages for 40 years. Details and an enrollment form are in the accompanying brochure. Please read it carefully.

Several plans are offered and rates for the entire school year start at around \$24 (*Dental Accident Plan*). You can limit coverage to school related injuries only (including sports) or opt for 24/7 protection. Also offered are a *Student Accident & Sickness Plan* (recommended if your child has no other health insurance) and a *pharmacy discount program* for your entire family. Whether your child currently has no other coverage or you want to "fill in the gaps" in other insurance, you will probably find an option to fit your needs.

While you can seek care from any doctor or hospital, you'll also have access to an extensive network of medical providers with discounted charges. Seeking care through contracted providers may further reduce your out-of-pocket costs, particularly if your child needs surgery or hospitalization.

To enroll, complete the enrollment form in full, select the plan(s) you want for your child, enclose the proper premium using a check, money order or credit card, seal and return as directed on the form. You can also choose to enroll online at www.myers-stevens.com by clicking the "Enroll Now" button. While your child is eligible to enroll at any time, you are encouraged to consider early enrollment to get maximum value from the plan(s) selected.

If you have any questions, please call Myers-Stevens & Toohey at (800) 827-4695. Bilingual representatives are available for parents who need assistance in Spanish.

Sincerely,

Richard Staudt
Risk Manager