

This brochure highlights the data submitted to the Utah Department of Health during the 2019-2020 school year by 37 of 41 school districts (90%), and 14 of 132 charter schools.

This information represents 99% of students in school districts, 23% of charter school students, and 90% of all Utah public school students.

Facts:

School nurses view the student as a complete person with physiologic and emotional states that can alter the child's educational readiness. School nurses are trained to calmly handle both medical and emotional crises in students. This frees the teacher to focus on teaching.

School nurses have specialized training and assessment skills necessary to provide competent caring hands and a confident calming voice which brings immediate comfort to a frightened child who is ill or injured.

School nurses allow districts to meet legal requirements by providing medical care to students at school by training, delegating, and utilizing proper documentation procedures. School nurses prevent legal liability for schools by promoting correct care delivery.

School Nurse Staffing in Utah 2019-2020

- 249 (203 FTE) licensed registered nurses
- 3 (2.2 FTE) licensed practical nurses
- 157 (68.20 FTE) health assistants
- 666,858 students on 1035 public school campuses
- Only 27 of 1035 (2.6%) of Utah public schools meet the national recommendations of one registered nurse per school

"School nurses enhance each child's educational potential by promoting physical and emotional wellness, increasing school attendance, and decreasing non-academic barriers to learning."
Dr. William Cosgrove

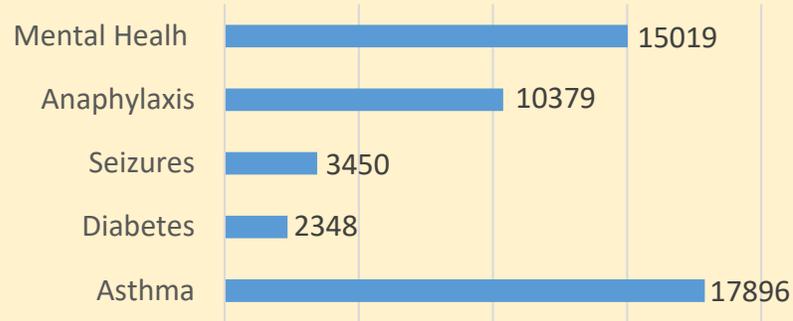


Nursing Services in Utah Public Schools Summary Report 2019-2020

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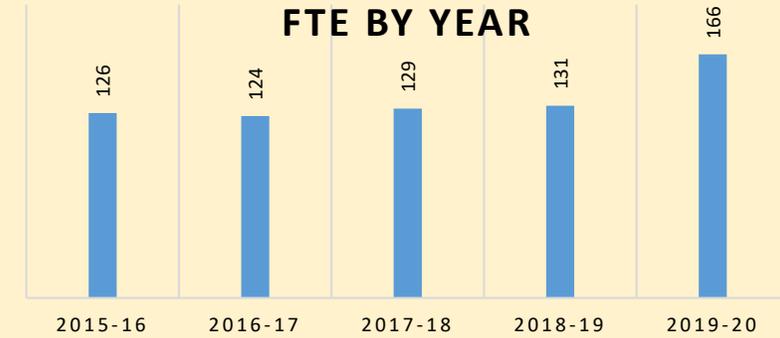
Health Conditions of Students, 2019-2020



Emergency Rescue Medication Administered at School, 2019-2020

- Naloxone was administered 2 times
- Epinephrine was administered 31 times
- Seizure rescue medications were administered 74 times
- Glucagon was administered 3 times

TOTAL UTAH SCHOOL NURSE FTE BY YEAR

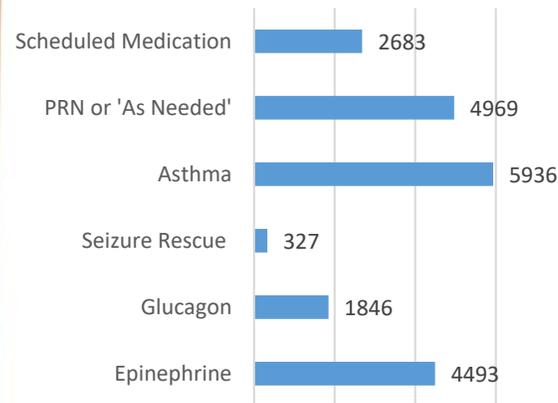


(*Does not include SpEd/PK nurses)

Students with a Medical Diagnosis, 2019-2020

- 17,896 students had an asthma diagnosis
- 10,379 students had a life-threatening allergy diagnosis
- 2,348 students had a diabetes diagnosis (2,257 with type 1 diabetes, 91 with type 2 diabetes)
- 3,450 students had a seizure disorder diagnosis
- 15,019 students had a mental health diagnosis

Medication Orders 2019-2020



Student Screenings, 2019-2020

- 334,075 students received a vision screening at school
- 25,041 students were referred to an eye care professional
- 16,592 students received an oral health screening
- 198 students received restorative services through a school sponsored oral health program