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# **Is There a Nurse on Duty or Is Your Child's School Out to Lunch?**

With your kids back to school every parent wants to make sure they have a fun time, learn a lot, stay safe, and are in good hands. But it may be kind of hard to keep them safe and feel like they are in good hands when only 45% of schools have a school nurse. And even if your child's school has a nurse he or she is probably not a real nurse. So what would you do if your child has a medical condition and needed special attention? Would the nurse be able to do anything? Click on the link to get more on school nurses and how to work with them information.

Whether your child visits the school nurse on occasion to treat a scrape or a stomachache or needs more regular care to manage chronic conditions such as asthma, diabetes or [allergies](#), you should take note of the school's health care capabilities and staff qualifications, according to Sandi Delack, the president of the [National Association of School Nurses](#) and a middle school nurse in Rhode Island.

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