



Pajaro Valley Unified School District

Re: Voluntary Participation Student Accident/Health Insurance 2023-2024 School Year

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Before you read any further, please take note of this very important fact: **THE SCHOOL DISTRICT DOES NOT CARRY MEDICAL/DENTAL INSURANCE FOR STUDENTS.** Please read this letter carefully and understand all the implications, for even if you have a policy on your child it may not cover all costs should they have an accident at school.

Raising children is challenging enough without having to worry about how to access and pay for the medical treatment they need when they get hurt or sick, low cost accident or accident and sickness insurance is an excellent way to prepare in advance for such challenges. In order to help you, your school and thousands of others, participate in a program meant to give you a number of coverage options for your child. Details and an enrollment form are in the accompanying brochure.

Several benefit levels are offered. You can limit coverage to school-related injuries only, or opt for 24/7 protection. Also offered is a Student Health Care plan (most recommended if your child has no other health insurance), a long term dental accident plan, and a pharmacy discount program for your entire family. Whether you are looking to fill in the "gaps" in other insurance or looking for primary coverage for your child, you will probably find an option to fit your needs.

While you can always use any doctor or hospital, the Student Health Care plan includes access to an extensive network of doctors and hospitals who have agreed to discount their charges. Seeking care through contracted providers may reduce your out-of-pocket costs, particularly if your child needs surgery or hospitalization. Details can be found on the MST website: www.myers-stevens.com.

Coverage can begin as early as June 1 each year, in time for summer. As a student of a participating school, your child is eligible for enrollment in any of these programs at any time. However, you are encouraged to consider early enrollment to get maximum value from the plan(s) selected. To enroll, please visit www.myers-stevens.com; instructions for enrollment are available on the website and in the enclosed brochure.

Please read your brochure carefully. If you have any questions, please call the plan administrator, Myers-Stevens & Toohey directly at (800) 827-4695. Bilingual representatives are available for parents who need assistance in Spanish.

In order to document having been notified of this matter, please sign and complete the bottom of this form immediately and send it back to school with your child.

Risk & Safety Office
Pajaro Valley Unified School District

Student Name _____
Student Number _____
Grade _____

Your Student's School: _____

As parent/guardian of _____, I understand that the School District does not provide medical insurance for student injuries but does make voluntary student insurance available. I have received the information on this program.

I will enroll my child in the program I will not enroll my child in the program

Signed _____ Date _____