

## **Nursing Services**

The Russell County Public School System is committed to providing care for its students.

School Health Services is an essential component of today's educational program. Schools bring together large populations of students and staff with multiple needs in the areas of first aid management, detection of contagious diseases, routine medication administration and specialized health care procedures. The nursing staff serve as professional in-service trainers to other employees in the schools. Communication to parents, community and referring medical providers, regarding health conditions, is an integral part of school nursing services.

There is a nurse at each school. Our nursing staff works daily to provide direct care to the students and staff in the school setting.

School Nurses provide various screenings for students that include vision and hearing screenings for Kindergarten, First, Third, Fifth, Seventh and Tenth graders. If a student fails vision or hearing, a follow up screening (or second level screening) is performed. If the student fails at second level, a letter is sent to the parent/guardian, recommending medical follow up.