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Student Injuries and Insurance – 2023 - 2024 School Year

Dear Parent:

The Ventura Unified School District (VUSD) takes appropriate steps to protect your child from injuries. Even so, accidents can and do happen while participating in activities that take place on campus, on school trips and during extra-curricular activities and sports. VUSD and your child's school does not provide medical insurance coverage for school accidents. This means that you are responsible for the medical bills if your child gets hurt during school activities.

Since VUSD does not provide medical insurance for school related injuries, it makes available through the plan administrator, Myers-Stevens & Toohey & Co., Inc., a variety of insurance plans in the event of an accident. Many coverage options are available. The Student Accident & Sickness Coverage plan is available for students who need coverage for accidents and sickness, other than high school football, 24 hours a day. There are plans available for football accidents, full time 24/7 accident plans and coverage for school time injuries. There are also dental and pharmacy card options available. If you are interested in purchasing insurance coverage please see information on the plans here: <https://www.venturausd.org/services/business-services/risk-management> . If you wish to enroll follow the information here: <https://www.myers-stevens.com/enrollment-page/>.

Under State Law, school districts are required to ensure that all members of school athletic teams have accidental injury insurance that covers medical and hospital expenses. This insurance requirement can be met by the school district offering insurance or other health benefits that cover medical and hospital expenses. Some students may qualify to enroll in low or no-cost local, state, or federally sponsored health insurance programs. Information about these programs may be obtained by calling: (a) Medi-Cal at 1-800-541-5555 or (b) Healthy Families Program at 1-800-880-5305.

Please read your brochure carefully. If you have any questions, please contact the plan administrator, Myers-Stevens & Toohey, at (800) 827-4695, or (949) 348-0656 or online at [www.myers-stevens.com](http://www.myers-stevens.com) . Bilingual representatives are available for parents who need assistance in Spanish.

Sincerely,

Eric Reynolds, Director, Risk Management