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MRSA - Methicillin Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus



Based on the recent heightened concern regarding reports of occurrences of MRSA, or methicillin resistant staphylococcus aureus, there are resources that are available to help you ensure the health and safety of students and staff in your schools.

Please share this information with appropriate school personnel. A new pdf from the Dept. of Health is available in the "Principal Resources" section on our website: www.csaanys.org

<http://www.schoolhealthservicesny.com/a-zindex.cfm?subpage=33>

NYSDOH -

http://www.health.state.ny.us/diseases/communicable/staphylococcus_aureus/methicillin_resistant/community_associated/fact_sheet.htm

CDC -

http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dhqp/ar_mrsa_ca_public.html

http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dhqp/ar_mrsa_ca_posters.html

If you have any questions, please contact the Statewide School Health Services Center at: 585-349-7630.

Mandated Services Aid

CAP refunds should be arriving in early November.

While you are waiting, renew your attendance policies and make sure you are following Section 104.1(i) of Commissioner's regulations.

A link to this can be found on our website in "Resources for Principals".



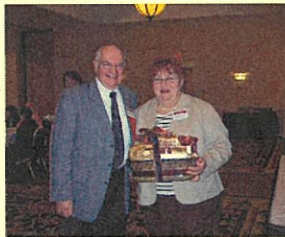
HEALTH CARE FOR CHILDREN

Do all of the children in your school have access to adequate health care? Please forward this information on to your families so that all our children receive the health care they need.

Fidelis Care can help people at all stages of their lives who find themselves without health insurance. Fidelis Care programs offer comprehensive coverage for families and individuals who, because they haven't had health insurance, might otherwise delay necessary care and services. Regular check-ups, preventive care, well-child visits, immunizations, lab tests, x-rays, hospitalization, and emergency treatment are covered. To ensure that children receive their immunizations on time and are screened for lead exposure, Fidelis Care works closely with members and local doctors to encourage regular visits and key preventive screenings that can put children on the road to good health. For more information, call toll-free 1-800-343-3547.



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Website to note: Google Sky turns computers into telescopes. This tool provides information about various celestial bodies, from stars to planets and includes imagery from the Hubble Space Telescope and other sources. Go to: <http://earth.google.com>.

2008 National Missing Children's Day Poster Contest: The United States Department of Justice's national Missing children's Day for 2008 will be held during the third week of May. A key program associated with this important day, is a nationwide poster contest for fifth grade students. The theme of the 2008 contest is "Bring Our Missing Children Home."

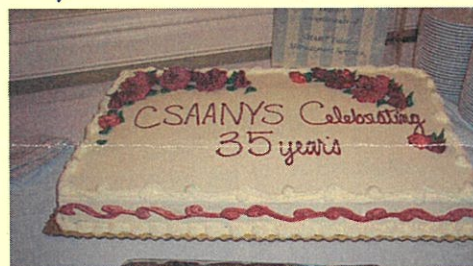
The single national winner, his/her teacher, and his/her parents will be invited to participate in the National Missing Children's Day ceremony in Washington, DC. The winning entry will be used as a symbol for the National Missing Children's Day in 2009.

Additional information regarding the 2008 poster contest is available at: <http://ojjdp.ncjrs.gov/programs/postercontest>

If you would like to purchase books that were gifts at the Gathering, please email: nysadm@csdsl.net and we can send them out to you.

"Tickle Your Soul: Live Well, Love Much, Laugh Often" by Anne Bryan Smollin \$8.00 or

"The Holy Longing The Search for a Christian Spirituality" by Ronald Rolheiser \$16.00



For those of you who asked - Lee Nagel used the book: *"Grateful: A Song of Giving Thanks"* by John Bucchino as the closing

