

A School-Based Health Center (SBHC) provides comprehensive primary care services in a school year round. There are seven (7) SBHCs in the District of Columbia that the DC Department of Health (DC Health) oversees. A SBHC can serve as a student's primary health care provider or supplement the services they would normally receive. Each SBHC offers medical, oral, social and mental health services, and education to enrolled students, and to the children of enrolled students. SBHC staff can also provide referrals to specialty care, community providers and other programs that coordinate to ensure every student receives the care they need to lead healthier lives.

SERVICES PROVIDED

PRIMARY AND PREVENTIVE CARE

- Well Child Visits
- Physicals
- Immunizations
- Chronic Disease Management
- Nutrition Counseling
- Acute Care
- Substance Abuse Screening
- Family Planning
- Pregnancy Testing
- Prenatal Care
- Sexually Transmitted Disease Testing, Counseling and Treatment

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Mental Health Services

ORAL HEALTH

- Examinations
- Cleanings
- Education and Counseling
- Sealants

ANACOSTIA SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

1601 16th Street, SE Washington, DC 20020 (202) 724-5529

BALLOU SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

3401 4th Street, SE Washington, DC 20032 (202) 645-3843

CARDOZO EDUCATION CAMPUS

1200 Clifton Street, NW Washington, DC 20009 (202) 727-5148

COOLIDGE SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

6315 5th Street, NW Washington, DC 20011 (202) 698-1383

DUNBAR SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

101 N Street, NW Washington DC 20011 (202) 724-4086

ROOSEVELT SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

4301 13th Street, NW Washington, DC 20011 (202) 727-6333

WOODSON SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

540 55th Street, NE Washington, DC 20019 (202) 724-2287

DC Department of Health partners with the following health care providers:

- MedStar Health at Anacostia SHS & Roosevelt SHS
- Children's National Medical Center (CNMC) at Ballou SHS, Coolidge SHS & Dunbar SHS
- Unity Health Care, Inc. at Cardozo EC& HD Woodson



When are SBHCs open and what are the hours?

Hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 8:00am–4:30pm (open during lunch periods). Following the DCPS closure and holiday schedule, SBHCs are open year-round (SBHCs run under a modified schedule during summer school and seasonal breaks if appropriate security measures are available). An on-call physician is available when the SBHC is closed (e.g., from 4:30 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. on weekdays, weekends and holidays) and facilitate emergency room referrals of students as needed.

Who can receive services at a SBHC?

Any student currently enrolled at the high school or the children of students.

After graduation, seniors can use the health center through the first week of August; after that, SBHC staff will assist students with transitioning to another health care provider.

Can I still go to my normal doctor's office?

Yes. SBHCs can either supplement existing services received from a student's primary health care provider or serve as a student's regular health provider. SBHCs offer the convenience of a doctor's visit without missing an entire day of school or requiring a parent to miss work. SBHC staff communicate with your regular doctor to keep them informed.

How do I sign up?

When you enroll in school, you can receive SBHC enrollment forms from the school's registrar. Forms are also available online at http://doh.dc.gov/service/school-based-health-centers.

Students 14 years of age and older do not need parental consent to use the SBHC for confidential services. Services may include family planning, pregnancy testing, STD and HIV testing and treatment, substance abuse concerns and mental health concerns. Please consult the Minor Consent Law for more information.

Is it true that students don't pay?

YES! Students DO NOT directly pay for services.

Instead, if a student is insured, the insurance may be billed where applicable.

We do not send bills or letters home for confidential services.

A case manager is able to help students apply for insurance if they lack it.

What if there's an emergency?

If a student needs to be seen at a SBHC for either confidential services or an unlikely emergency situation, enrollment will be done by SBHC staff where applicable. Parents/Guardians will be contacted for verbal approval in case of an emergency and students seeking confidential services will need to self-enroll.



