

## From the Health Office

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

New York State Law requires that all schools provide annual Scoliosis screening to children in grades 6, 7, & 8.

Scoliosis is a sideward curvature of the spine. In its early years, it is painless and appears gradually, especially during the years of rapid teenage growth. It is often confused with poor posture.

The school nurse will screen students during their scheduled Physical Education class. \*\*\*The girls will be required to wear a two-piece bathing suit top or garment that exposes the back and shoulders. This is necessary to be screened.

**Screening will take place February 8<sup>th</sup> through February 12<sup>th</sup>.**

Please be sure that your child is prepared to be examined during his or her Physical Education Class.

If you have any questions or concerns about this screening, please contact the HEALTH OFFICE @ 474-7258.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

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