

It is recommended that the school nurse hold the following minimum qualifications:

A. Nurse Supervisor - Coordinates and supervises nursing activities of one or more licensed nurses in one or more school districts.

1. Hold an active Professional Nursing License (RN)
2. 5 years licensed nursing experience (2 of which must have been as an RN)
3. 3 years experience as a school nurse
4. 1 year experience as a supervisor (preferred)
5. Current certification in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation for healthcare providers with AED and First Aid
6. Current certification in Scoliosis, Hearing, Vision and Growth (height and weight) screening

B. Registered Nurse/Registered Nurse Practitioner

1. Hold an active Professional Nursing License (RN)
2. 2 years licensed nursing experience (3 years preferred)
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3. Current certification in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation for healthcare providers with AED and First Aid
4. Current certification in Scoliosis, Hearing, Vision and Growth (height and weight) screening

C. Licensed Practical Nurse/Licensed Psychiatric Technician Nurse

1. Hold an active LPN/LPTN Nursing License
2. 2 years licensed nursing experience (3 years preferred)
3. Current certification in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation for healthcare providers with AED and First Aid
4. Current certification in Scoliosis, Hearing, Vision and Growth (height and weight) screening

D. Advanced Practice Nurse

1. Hold an active Advanced Practice Nurse License
2. Certification in a field that includes pediatrics
3. 2 years APN experience
4. Current certification in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation for healthcare providers with AED and First Aid
5. Current certification in Scoliosis, Hearing, Vision and Growth (height and weight) screening

Unlicensed Assistive Personnel (UAP) Qualifications

Unlicensed Assistive Personnel are those individuals who provide any of the nursing tasks listed in the Nursing Task List on pages 19-21 or any similar nursing care task.

It is recommended that the Unlicensed Assistive Personnel who provide nursing care to students hold the following minimum qualifications prior to providing care:

1. Have a high school diploma or the equivalent;
2. Have successfully completed a literacy and reading comprehension screening process;
3. Have current certification in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation and First Aid as provided by the American Red Cross or American Heart Association.
4. Have successfully completed training and competency validation in performing nursing tasks that are to be delegated by a nurse.

Note: Regardless of the school districts titling of the position or other job duties, when

individuals are providing services listed in the Nursing Task List (pages 19-21) or other similar services, the delegation and supervision rules apply. Individuals who violate the Nurse Practice Act by practicing nursing without a license are subject to civil and/or administrative prosecution as allowed in A.C.A. §17-87-104.