

Whiteriver Unified School District

Medicaid Notification to Parents

The Whiteriver Unified School District receives funding from the Medicaid Direct Service Claiming program for IEP covered services to eligible children through the State's Medicaid agency. This is a state-approved program that allows the School Agency to receive reimbursement from federal funds for providing some health-related covered services to eligible children in our school system. Examples of covered services include speech therapy, assistance with daily living skills, physical therapy, and nursing services.

The Whiteriver Unified School District, working with the State Medicaid agency, will need to determine if my child is eligible or should become eligible in the school-based Medicaid program. WUSD may use Medicaid benefits in which a child participates to provide or pay for services documented in the Individualized Education Program (IEP.) Parents are not required to sign up for or enroll in Medicaid to receive IEP services or a free appropriate public education, nor are they responsible for any out of pocket expenses for these IEP services. Also, WUSD's access to these benefits is not allowed if it would have a negative impact on the child's or parent's public insurance.

The Whiteriver Unified School District will provide the required services to my child at no cost to me whether or not I grant my written consent. My consent is voluntary and may be revoked at any time. WUSD's use of this reimbursement program does not in any way affect or impact other Medicaid benefits to which my child is entitled, including any otherwise eligible services outside of school.

Please email Berta Bones, bbones@wusd.us or call her at 928-338-2024 if you have questions.

Thank you,

Mary Kline,
Director of Special Services, WUSD