



National School Nurse Day **January 2002**

Celebrate Our School Nurses This Week!

In honor of National School Nurse Day on January 23, 2002, Pulaski County Public Schools salutes the dedicated school nurses who make sure our schoolchildren are healthy and ready to learn. Our school nurses serve as health advocates for school children by promoting healthy living and helping to prevent illness and disability.

School nurses assess students' complaints of illness, administer medications, perform skilled medical care, and provide first aid. They offer group and individual health education to students, staff, and families. They participate in child study, plan for care of students with medical needs, refer families to health care resources, and conduct health screenings. Our school nurses work closely with parents, teachers, physicians, and other health professionals to help children stay in school and function at optimal levels. The presence of the school nurses frees other school staff to perform the duties for which they were hired.

To learn more about school nurses, visit the [National Association of School Nurses](#) website.