

CHANGES IN HEALTH CHECKS FOR SCHOOLCHILDREN

In the 2016-2017 school year, Vantaa will conduct all comprehensive health checks as joint checks by a doctor and a public-health nurse. The change will take place already during summer 2016.

Comprehensive health checks for 1st-, 5th- and 8th-graders will be conducted jointly by a doctor and a public-health nurse during the 2016-2017 school year.

Vantaa has already for several years conducted comprehensive health checks for 5th-graders as a joint check by a doctor and a public-health nurse. The feedback from these joint health checks from both 5th-graders and 8th-graders has been positive, which is why the procedure will be applied to comprehensive health checks for 1st- and 8th-graders as well. Earlier, the school nurse has met 1st- and 8th-graders in the summer, while the school doctor has met them later during the school year.

Future 1st-graders will receive an invitation to the health check during the spring. 8th-graders will receive an invitation to the health check when school starts in August. As earlier, fifth-graders will receive an invitation to the health check during the school year. A health-inquiry form for both students and parents will be sent together with the invitation.

Parents are recommended to participate in comprehensive health checks for 1st-, 5th- and 8th-graders.

You can make an appointment with your own school nurse for the health check online or by phone (or by Wilma message).

Health checks for future 3rd- and 7th-graders will take place in summer 2016

Health checks will take place during school summer vacation, from June 7 to July 1, 2016, as well as from August 1 to August 12, 2016. Third-graders will receive an invitation to the health check at the beginning of May, whereas 7th-graders will mainly receive their invitations at the Getting-to-know the Junior High School day. A health-inquiry form will be sent together with the invitation.

The student can come to the health check alone, even though the parents are also welcome. There is no time to check all 3rd- and 7th-graders in the summer, which is why the health checks will continue in the fall term.

You can make an appointment with your own school nurse for the health check online or by phone (or by Wilma message).

There may be school-specific differences between the practical arrangements in the 2016-2017 school year, when the new procedure is adopted.

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