



CENTRAL BUCKS SCHOOL DISTRICT

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The Central Bucks Schools will provide all students with the academic and problem-solving skills essential for personal development, responsible citizenship, and life-long learning.

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Dear Administrator Steffanic,

As the Nursing Coordinator and the Continuing Education liaison for the Certified School Nurses of the Central Bucks School District, we would like to advocate for school nurses in the state of Pennsylvania regarding Regulation # 16A-5130 (#2608).

As professional nurses in the school setting, we attend many continuing education programs under the umbrella of the Central Bucks School District, which is governed, in the education setting by Act 48. Through our Act 48 committee, guidelines have been established regarding appropriate providers of nursing education. These include but are not limited to: National Association of School Nurses, Pennsylvania Association of School Nurses and Practitioners, The Certified School Nurses Association of Bucks County, and Philadelphia Pediatric medical institutions. In addition, our school district accepts contact hours through professional journals and online programs. Every year, we plan, develop, implement, and evaluate our education programs for our professional nurses in response to a needs assessment.

It is our request that nurses practicing in the school setting will be permitted to utilize appropriate Act 48 contact hours to fulfill the requirements of Regulation #16A-5130 (#2608). For any questions or need for clarification we can be reached at vwesolov@cbsd.org and mcanales@cbsd.org. Thank you for your consideration and attention to our request.

Respectfully Submitted,

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