Owatonna Public Schools
Health Services
(OHS and OMS Only)

Parent/Guardian Authorization for Student Self-Administration of Asthma Inhaler for Asthma or Reactive Airway Disease
(to be completed annually)

Student Name: _____

Parent(s)/Guardian: _____

School: _____ **School Year:** _____

Name of Prescription Inhaler: _____ **Student's Physician:** _____

Order for Use: _____ Lot #_____ **Exp. Date:** _____

1. I authorize my child to self-administer the above named medication during school hours as prescribed by the physician and am requesting the school health service office not administer the medication.
2. I understand my child will carry this medication at school.
3. I also understand my child is entirely responsible for the use of this medication and school personnel will not monitor actual use of this medication.
4. I release all school personnel and I.S.D. #761 from all liability in the event of any adverse reaction from the use or administration of this medication. I hold all school personnel and I.S.D. #761 harmless from any liability resulting from allowing my child to self-administer medications during school hours.
5. I will notify the school of any change in the medication(s).
6. I give my permission for Owatonna School District staff to consult with the above named student's physician/licensed prescriber regarding any questions that arise with regard to the listed medication(s) or medical condition(s) being treated by the medication(s).

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 (Parent/Guardian Signature)   (Date)

Asthma Inhaler Law Overview-effective August 1, 2002
Minnesota Statutes 2001, Section 121A.22 (summary from the Minnesota American Lung Association)

The Minnesota Legislature enacted language during the 2001 session that allows public elementary and secondary school students to possess and use inhalers prescribed for asthma or reactive airway disease. The following is an overview of the requirements that must be met before a student is given permission to carry and self-medicate asthma medication in school:

- The parent has not requested that school personnel administer the student's asthma medication; and
- The school district receives annual written authorization from the student's parent for the student to self administer; and
- The inhaler is properly labeled for that student; and
- The school nurse or other appropriate party assesses the student's knowledge and skills to safely possess and use his/her inhaler in a school setting and enters a plan to implement safe possession and use of the inhaler into the student's school health record.

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