

**Stonington Public Schools**  
**Standing Orders for Oral Medications**

**2020 /2021**

I authorize the administration of the following oral medication to be given to 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade students, only with written parent/guardian permission. Acetaminophen which is the generic for Tylenol and Ibuprofen which is the generic for Motrin and Advil will be given by the school nurse in accordance with school board policy. A student will not receive more than 5 doses of ibuprofen or acetaminophen in a 30 day time period. Day Field trips are **NOT** included in the standing order. Overnight Field trips\* are included in the standing order. The school nurse may decline to administer an OTC medication at any time based on nursing judgment.

*\* On Overnight field trips, acetaminophen or ibuprofen will be administered per standing order, without consideration of the 5 doses in 30 day time period.*

**Tylenol (Acetaminophen):** Used for pain/discomfort; mild headache, dysmenorrhea, fever, cold or viral conditions. **DO NOT** administer for head injuries.

Potential Side Effects: Nausea, vomiting, no significant side effects if administered per manufacturer's label

For Children **under** 12 years old – administer according to weight – see chart below:

<b>Weight</b>	<b>Children's Liquid Suspension</b>	<b>Tablet</b>
60-71 lbs	400mg = 12.5mL (2 ½ tsp)	325mg = 1 tab
72-95 lbs	480mg = 15mL (3 tsp)	325mg or 500mg = 1 tab

For Children/Adults **12 years and older:**

Tylenol 325mg: Give 1 (325mg) to 2 (650mg) tablets by mouth every 4 to 6 hours

Tylenol 500mg: Give 1 tablet (500mg) by mouth every 6 hours or if weight is ≥ 150lbs then give 2 tablets (1000mg) every 6 hours.

**Motrin/Advil (Ibuprofen):** Used for pain/discomfort; mild headache, dysmenorrhea, fever, cold or viral conditions. **DO NOT** administer for head injuries.


Potential Side Effects: Stomach upset

For Children **under** 12 years old – administer according to weight – see chart below:

<b>Weight</b>	<b>Children's Liquid Suspension</b>	<b>Tablet</b>
60-71 lbs	250mg = 12.5mL (2 ½ tsp)	200mg = 1 tab
72-95 lbs	300mg = 15mL (3 tsp)	200mg = 1 tab

For Children/Adults **12 years and older:**

Ibuprofen 200mg: Give 1 tablet (200mg) by mouth every 6 hours or if weight is ≥ 100lbs then give tablets (400mg) every 6 hours.

  
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