



## Medication Policy

Administration of medication during the school day (over the counter or prescription), requires a medication permission form from a licensed prescriber and written consent from the parent/guardian. A copy of this form can be found on Health Services portion of the school website ([www.ndapa.org](http://www.ndapa.org)).

Parent/guardian permission for administration of ibuprofen, acetaminophen, and antacid are obtained from the emergency card which is filled out in the beginning of the year.

Other guidelines which must be followed for school administration of medication include:

- Medication must be in the original container with the student's name, dose, frequency, and time of administration
- Medication that is not in the original container is not acceptable and will not be administered by the nurse.
- No more than a 30-day supply of any one medication can be kept at school
- If a parent is unable to obtain a physician's order, he or she may come to school and administer the medication to their child
- All medication orders must be renewed at the beginning of each academic year.
- Unused medication will be returned to parent/guardian at the end of the school year. Medication not picked up will be discarded.
- School law was amended to allow students to carry and self-administer asthmatic inhalers and epinephrine autoinjectors. The school must receive parent/guardian consent and an order from a licensed prescriber that includes a statement that it is necessary for the student to carry the medication and that the student is capable of self-administration. The student must also demonstrate to the school nurse the ability to self-administer the medication and notify the nurse immediately after use.