

## Providence Christian School Medication Policy

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The Medication Policy applies to medication during school and any school-sponsored activities such as field trips and class trips out of town.

Prescription medication must be delivered to the School Clinic/school nurse by a parent, in the original container, appropriately labeled by the pharmacist, and stay at school for the duration of administration. The School Clinic cannot accept expired medications. Controlled substances for ADD, ADHD, anxiety, and so on must be counted together by the nurse and parent and signed into the medication log. The pharmaceutical label must include the following information:

- Name of student
- Name and telephone number of pharmacy
- Name of prescribing, board-certified, medical doctor
- Name of medication, dosage, and directions of administration
- Expiration date
- Correct quantity of medication in original container

Medication must be accompanied by a Medication Authorization Form; and an Asthma and/or Allergy Plan (s), when applicable, signed by parent and physician; and delivered to the school nurse by parent only.

**NOTE:** Medication will not be administered to the student until these safe administration requirements are met.

**Over the Counter Medications:** (Acetaminophen, Benadryl, Motrin) may be administered from the School Clinic with prior, written parent approval provided on the Registration Health Information form. Cough drops are not allowed at school. Students may not have any medication (prescription or over-the-counter medications) on their person or in their backpacks or lockers.