

Medication in Schools Regulations

Students with short term or chronic health concerns often are well enough to attend school, but require medication during the school hours. All medications taken at school need to have your health care providers written medication orders. Even if your child is being prescribed an over the counter medication like Tylenol, cough syrup or cough drops we need a medication order. Here's what we need:

- Written order from your Healthcare Provider
- Written request from the parent with signature allowing us to give this medication
- If you want your child to carry a rescue medication and dispense it to themselves we need an authorization to do this, the school nurse will determine if the child is self-directed to be able to carry and dispense their own medication. This is not an option in elementary school.
- Medications need to be in an original container with pharmacy label on it (this is **not** an order from a provider)
- Medication should be delivered directly to the school nurse **by the parent.**
Students may not carry in backpack or take on bus
- Parents can request their pharmacist to provide two properly labeled containers of prescription (one for school and one for a field trip)
- Parents will be responsible for picking up the medication at the end of the school year or make arrangements with the school nurse. If not picked up by the last day of school the medication will be discarded.

We are bringing this to your attention in the best interest of the safety and health of your child. If you have questions or concerns regarding these regulations, please contact the school nurse