

Self- Administration Asthma Policy

On August 16, 2001, Governor George H. Ryan signed legislation allowing Illinois public and private school children to carry and self-administer prescribed asthma medications. Woodstock Community Unit School District 200 requires that a parent or guardian complete the parent waiver for self-administration of medication along with the physician request for self-administration of medication. These forms must be turned into the school nurse in order for your child to carry his/her inhaler at school. The permission for self-administration of medication is effective for the school year for which it is granted and shall be renewed each subsequent school year. A student with asthma may possess and use his/her medication while in school, at a school-sponsored activity, while under the supervision of school personnel, or before or after normal school activities, such as while in before- school or after-school care is on school-operated property. We recommend that you provide an additional dose of the medication to be kept in the nurses' office in the event that your child forgets or loses his/her medication.

Self-Administration Epinephrine Policy

On May 19, 2006, Governor Blagojevich amended the self administration asthma legislation to include epinephrine auto-injectors (epi-pens). This amendment allows Illinois students in public and private schools to carry and self-administer prescribed epinephrine auto-injector medication. Woodstock Community Unit School District 200 requires that a parent or guardian complete the parent waiver for self-administration of medication along with a physician request for self-administration of medication. These forms must be turned into the school nurse in order for your child to carry his/her inhaler at school. The permission for self-administration of medication is effective for the school year for which it is granted and shall be renewed each subsequent school year. A student who is prescribed epinephrine auto-injector medication may possess and use his/her medication while in school, at a school sponsored activity, while under the supervision of school personnel, or before or after normal school activities, such as while in before-school or after-school care is on school operated property. We recommend that you provide an additional dose of the medication to be kept in the nurse's office in the event that your child forgets or loses his/her medication.