CLINTON PUBLIC SCHOOL
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SCHOOL MEDICATION POLICY

- No medication can be administered to a student without the written authorization from the parent and physician.

- Dr. Ronald Frank, our school physician, has authorized the administration of acetaminophen (Tylenol), ibuprofen (Motrin /Advil), Tums, and cough medicine (Robitussin DM) by the school nurse. Parent permission is required before a student can receive any of these medications. You will be contacted by phone if the school nurse determines your child requires one of these medications during the school day.

- Written authorization from your physician is required for all medications (except those listed above). This includes prescriptions, over-the-counter medications, and nutritional supplements.

- **Medication that is brought into school must be labeled with the student's name and must be in the original container.**

- If you are sending in a prescription medication, ask the pharmacist to give you two labeled bottles when you drop off the prescription. With prescription medications, please send into school only the amount of medication that will be administered in school so that the medication does not have to travel back and forth from school to home every day.

- **The only medication that students are allowed to carry with them and self-administer are those medications needed for potentially life-threatening illnesses such as inhalers for asthma and an EpiPen for allergic reactions.** The student may carry and self-administer these medications when he is able to demonstrate proper self-administration technique and the prescribing physician has given written authorization that the student may carry the medication.

- All other medications will be kept locked in the Nurse's Office and will be administered to the student at the time designated by the physician.

- The school nurse or a parent or guardian is the only one permitted to administer medication to students in school or on class trips.

- If you wish to have your physician write an order for your child to receive a medication to be given on an as needed basis during the entire school year, please ask the physician to write "2008-2009 School Year" as the number of days to be administered.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at 908-735-7283.
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School Nurse