

## **MEDICATION POLICY**

When it is essential to a child's health that he/she take medication during school hours, the following requirements must be met:

1. Prescription medication must be prescribed by the student's physician and parent's consent form must be signed by the physician and parent before giving the medication at school. These consent forms are available in the Health Office and by downloading from this site.
2. Prescription drugs must be in the original pharmacy container, labeled with the student's name, date, medication, dose, time to be taken at school and length of treatment. (You may request the Pharmacist to prepare a second bottle for school use.)
3. The parent/guardian **MUST** bring the medication to school. Students are **NOT** allowed to transport medication.
4. Students may carry an asthma inhaler and/or emergency allergy pen with a current prescription on the medication for student and a consent to carry form that has been signed by the parent/guardian. All inhalers/emergency allergy pens must have a pharmacy placed label on it or have the inhaler inside of the box with the pharmacy label. These consent forms are available in the Health Office.
5. Medication will be administered in the presence of the school nurse and/or health assistant, or in their absence, by the person designated by the school principal.
6. All over-the-counter and/or non-prescription medication must be approved by the Food & Drug Administration and come in the original non expired container with label and package directions. The parent must sign a release form available in the Health Office and file it with the school nurse and/or health assistant for medication to be administered in the Health Office. A physician's note will be required to give any over-the-counter and/or non-prescription medication for more than 3 days. You may also obtain form from this site.
7. We typically do not give medication at school if it is only prescribed for 3 times per day or less unless the Physician prescribes the medication for a specific time.
8. Narcotic pain medication will not be given at school.
9. Medications brought to school and not meeting the necessary requirements will not be dispensed. The medication will be locked in the health office until a parent/guardian picks it up.