Community Independent School District
Medication Information for Parents

Required Forms:
All medication that will be given at school must be accompanied by a *Medication Consent Form*. A new form is required at the beginning of each school year and any time medication dosages are changed. Please contact your school nurse to obtain a medication consent form or visit Community ISD's Health Services Page at
https://www.communityisd.org/departments/health-services/forms-medication-asthma-seizures

What medications can be given at school?
- Only those medications which cannot be given outside of school hours will be given at school
- Prescription medication- must be in a properly labeled prescription bottle from a pharmacy that includes the student's name, physician, instructions for administration, and is not expired
- Over-the-counter (OTC) medications- can be given at school when accompanied by a medication consent form signed by the parent/guardian. Nonprescription medications will not be administered in doses higher than the label recommendations for age/weight without a physician's order. OTC medication may be given for 5 days with no physician signature. A physician signature will be required if medication is needed longer than 5 days
- All medications must be: unexpired, clearly labeled, and in the original, smallest, unopened container. Medications brought in baggies will not be administered.
- Herbal substances, dietary supplements, homeopathic or alternative medications lack safety information which limits their appropriate use at school. These medications will not be administered unless it has been determined educationally necessary as part of a student's IEP or 504 plan
- A healthcare provider signature is required for the administration of all medications.

Picking up and dropping off medication:
- All medication must be picked up and dropped off by the student's parent/guardian. Medication should not be dropped off by a student and medication will not be sent home with a student.
- All medications classified as controlled substances by the Drug Enforcement Administration must be counted and documented upon arrival between the Campus Nurse/Clinic Aide and parent/guardian.
- Unused medication that is not picked up from the clinic at the end of the school year will be destroyed according to CISD Medication Guidelines.
- No more than a 30-day supply of medication will be accepted by the school clinic at any time

Self-carry medications:
- A student may self-carry and self-administer an inhaler or Epi-Pen if they have met the following requirements:
    - The medication and the self-administration must be authorized by a physician or licensed healthcare provider
    - The student must demonstrate to the physician, or other healthcare provider and to the school nurse, the skill level necessary to self-administer the medication
    - The parent provides authorization to the school nurse for the student to self-administer their asthma/anaphylaxis prescription medication

***** For a full list of CISD's Medication Guidelines, please contact your school nurse *****