

Medication (Non-Prescription and Prescription)

- The Nederland Independent School District does not provide medication of any kind for students or employees.
 - Parents will be notified each year about the rules to administer medication, (PER-35F).
 - All non-prescription medication must be provided in their original container with a written request by the student's parent/guardian before it can be administered by the District. The written note must specify the type of medication, the dosage, and when the student should take the medication. The note must be signed by the parent/guardian and include their phone number in the event they need to be contacted. Non-prescription drugs cannot be administered to students more often than is recommended on the manufacturer's label.
 - All prescription medications must be given to the school nurse along with a written note from the parent/guardian giving permission for the medication to be administered at school. The prescription must be in its original container, properly labeled with the student's name and directions for administering the medication, name of the medication, and name of the doctor. If the medication is a physician's sample, the doctor furnishing the sample must supply, in writing, all the information indicated above. If the medication is for an extended time (more than two weeks), all the information listed above must be provided with a written request from the physician. A doctor's signature is required on all instructions for a physician's sample or long-term prescriptions. Any changes in the prescription must be confirmed by a note from the doctor who wrote the original prescription.
 - All medications (prescription and non-prescription) must be delivered to the nurse's office by the parent/guardian. **Students cannot bring medications to school.** Parent/guardian will be required to register the medication in the nurse's office to ensure proper handling.
 - Students are not allowed to carry or have any type of medication in their possession at any time. Students will be allowed to carry medication in their possession if a "life or death" situation is verified by a physician and if this verification is duly recorded in the nurse's office.
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- Only medication that must be given during the school day will be administered by school personnel. Any medication that can be given before or after school hours is expected to be given at home.
- Only the school nurse, athletic trainer, principal, or principal's designee can administer medication to students at school.
- A student who was written authorization from his or her parent and physician or other licensed health care provider, and who meets all other requirements, may be permitted, at the student's discretion, to use prescribed asthma medication at school or school-related events. The student and parents should see the school nurse or principal if the student has been prescribed asthma medication for use during the day.
- **School nurses, in their professional judgement, will always have the final decision in administering medication to students at school.**