

Medications Guidelines for School Lubbock-Cooper ISD

The Lubbock-Cooper Independent School District cannot provide any medication for children at school. Please try to schedule your child's medication so that it will not be necessary to give a dose during school hours. If it is necessary for your child to take medication while at school, please follow these instructions:

- All medication must be kept by the school nurse unless other arrangements have been made by the parent or guardian. A prescribed inhaler may be carried by a student only when a physician has given written permission for the inhaler to be carried by the student. Ask the school nurse for the correct form.
- All medications must be brought to school in the original container. Prescription medication must be properly labeled by a registered pharmacist.
- For all prescription medication, the child must present a Medication Request Form signed by the parent or legal guardian. The form indicates how much medication to give and at what time. Medication Request Forms are available through the school nurse's office.
- For all over the counter FDA approved medications, i.e., ibuprofen, acetaminophen, cough medications, etc., the student's parent or legal guardian must request in writing that the medication be given at school, the time it is to be given and why it is being taken.
- It is the student's responsibility to come to the nurse's office at the time that the medication has been requested to be given.
- If your child needs to take a medication for longer than 10 days, you will need to have a written request from the attending medical physician and a signed Medication Request Form.
- No LCISD employee shall give any student herbal substances or dietary supplements. If your child's medical physician has requested one of these substances be given at school, the medical physician must contact the school nurse to make appropriate arrangements.
- For the safety of young children, we ask that parents or guardians not allow their young children to carry their own medications to or from school. If it is necessary for your young child to take a dose of medication during school hours, please bring the medication to the nurse's office yourself to make arrangements for its administration.
- If you choose to provide a nebulizer treatment for your child, LCISD nursing staff will not be able to administer maintenance treatments. Treatments will only be administered as a life-saving measure in the event of an emergency.

If you have any questions concerning this policy, contact the school nurse on the campus where your student attends.