

MEDICATION POLICY

In order to protect the health and welfare of the students and school staff alike, Indiana law requires that parents/guardians consent, in writing, to the administration of both prescription and over-the-counter medications. Please read this policy carefully regarding medication administration during school hours.

PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION may only be given to students provided the following is on file at school:

- A written order from the physician OR the prescription bottle labeled with the student's name, name of the medication, dose, frequency and time.
- Written authorization from the parent/guardian and reason for the medication.
- The dose, time, frequency of a prescribed medication may only be changed with a physician order or a new updated prescription label on the bottle.

OVER-THE-COUNTER MEDICATION may only be given to students provided the following is on file:

- Written authorization by the parent and the reason the medication is to be given.
- Dose, frequency, time the parent is authorizing.
- Over-the-counter medications will not be administered in any manner inconsistent with the instructions on the label.

The school does not supply medication. Medication must be brought in by a parent/guardian. Over-the-counter medications must be in the original, unopened container. All medications must be dispensed in the nurse office and will be kept in a locked cabinet. Students must not carry medication in their purses, backpacks, or pockets.

Those students with asthma or life threatening allergies may carry their own inhalers or Epipens, but must have written authorization from a physician and parent/guardian with the student's name, medication name, dose, and the intent to carry the medication. A physician must certify the student is able to safely self-administer the medication if necessary

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