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Dear Parents,

In the interest of student safety, all prescription medications and over-the-counter medications to be taken or administered during the school day are to be brought to school by a parent, registered with the school nurse, and taken in the presence of the school nurse. Any other arrangement for transporting medication to or from school requires the approval of the building principal. All medication must be brought to school by the parent clearly labeled in the original container, and be accompanied by a "Medication Administration Consent Form" (available in each nurse's office or on district website) which indicates:

- Patient's Name
- Name of medication
- Route and Dosage
- Time of medication administration
- Directions
- Reason for medication

- Discontinuation date
- Does child take any other medication
- Allergies
- Licensed prescriber signature
- Licensed prescriber printed name

The above-named medication form, or a note from the attending physician/dentist giving permission to the school nurse to supervise the taking of the medication (prescription or over-the-counter) by the student, is required and must be presented to the nurse before the medication is taken.

The dispensing of liquid medications, such as antibiotics, may require precise measurement. Our school nurses currently use disposable medication cups to dispense liquid medications. If a more precise administration of medication is desired, parents are asked to speak with their pharmacist to secure disposable syringe dispensers and supply the school nurse with a sufficient quantity of the syringes to fulfill the prescription. (Due to sanitation concerns, the school will not assume responsibility for cleaning syringes.)

Students with a diagnosed condition requiring self-administration of emergency medications (for asthma, bee stings, etc.) must have a medication order and an exemption form signed by the licensed prescriber and parent. If the student has demonstrated responsible behavior to carry and self-administer the medication, permission may be given to keep such medication in his/her possession.

Thank you for your cooperation in these important matters. If you have any questions regarding the administration of medications during the school day, please contact the building nurse.

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