

Policy-Medication Administration to Students

In all instances where prescription medication is to be administered under this policy, the practitioner prescribing the medication has the power to direct, supervise, decide, inspect, and oversee the administration of such medication.

No prescription medication shall be given to a student by any employee of the School unless the following has been received in the school where the medication will be administered:

1. Written instructions and signature from the prescribing practitioner for the administration of the prescribed medication (except a dose of antibiotics for up to 14 days - parental permission is sufficient, following #2).
2. Written instructions should include:
 - the name of the drug
 - name of the patient
 - the dose
 - time it is to be taken
 - the diagnosis or reason the medication is needed
 - a list of adverse effects/contraindications that may be reasonably expected
3. Documented permission from the parent/legal guardian to give medication whether the dosage is prescribed by the practitioner or an over-the-counter medication.
4. Written authorization from the physician for the administration of a prescription drug product with dosage.
5. Written approval from a student's physician is required for administration of any medication product that contains aspirin.⁽¹⁾
6. Parents are required to hand-deliver prescribed medication to the school nurse.
7. Authorization for prescription and over the counter medication must be obtained annually and/or when changes occur.