

STAFFORD COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS HEALTH SERVICES
REGULATIONS ON MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION

REQUEST FOR MEDICATION/TREATMENT DURING SCHOOL HOURS

Stafford County Public Schools require that if medication/treatments are to be taken by a student while he/she is in school or participating in school activities, the school **MUST** have the following information completed and on file in the health clinic:

1. A signed order from the health care provider renewed yearly
2. A signed consent from the parent or guardian
3. The medication in the original pharmacy container.

THIS APPLIES TO ANY MEDICATION, PRESCRIPTION OR OVER THE COUNTER.

All medication must be kept in the school health office. It is the responsibility of the student to come to clinic for administration at the proper time. Student possession and self-administration of certain medications are permitted for conditions such as Diabetes, Asthma, and Allergy. More specific documentation from health care provider and supporting materials are required. Families should request an appointment with the school nurse in these cases.

To be completed by the Health Care Provider:

Student: _____ Grade: _____ School: _____

Medication/Treatment: _____

Dosage, Frequency, Route: _____

Diagnosis: _____

Medication/Treatment Required: School Year Short Term _____
Date required

Special Instructions, Side Effects, Comments: _____

HealthCare Provider Signature: _____

Health Care Provider PRINTED Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax _____ Date: _____

To Be Completed By Parent or Guardian:

I request that school personnel administer the above medication/treatment ordered by the health care provider, according to the directions provided. I authorize a representative of the school to share information/lab results regarding this medication/treatment with the above health care provider and school staff as necessary for the students health and safety at school. I understand and agree to comply with the school's policies and procedures as stated on the back of this form.

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian

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A. GENERAL POLICY

1. No student shall be given medications/treatments during school hours except upon written request from a licensed health care provider. This includes medications such as antibiotics. The parent/guardian must sign and provide new physician orders annually. Treatment orders include conditions requiring crutches, wheelchairs, and other medical devices prescribed when accommodations for a diagnosed medical condition are necessary during the school day.
2. Nurses do not accompany students on field trips. Arrangements for medications/treatments need to be made by parents and teachers with approval of the nurse at least a week ahead.
3. Students are responsible for coming to the clinic for medications/treatments. Elementary/Middle students will be contacted and reminded, however high school students will receive parent phone calls after 3 missed administrations unless other arrangements have been made.
4. Products for cosmetics or hygiene purposed are not regarded as medications. Also allowed are suntan lotion and bug spray when outdoor activities warrant their use and parents give permission.

B. RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PARENT OF GUARDIAN

1. Parents/guardians shall be encouraged to cooperate with the health care provider to develop a schedule so that the necessity for taking medication/treatments at school will be minimized or eliminated. First doses of medications should always be given at home.
2. Parents/guardians will assume responsibility for the supply of all medications/treatments/equipment during the school day. Whenever possible, a “school only” supply is requested.
3. Parents/guardians should deliver and pick up any medications/treatment supplies. All controlled substance medications (i.e. Ritalin type meds) will be counted and documented at the time of delivery/ pick-up by school personnel and parent/guardian.

C. RESPONSIBILITY OF THE HEALTH CARE PROVIDER (HCP)

1. A Medication Permission Form for each prescribed medication/treatment must be completed by the student’s health care provider, signed by the parent or guardian, and filed with the school nurse in the school clinic each school year.
2. Medication containers must be clearly labeled with the following information: Student’s full name, Health Care Provider’s name and telephone number, Name of medication, Dosage, Route, schedule for administration and time frame for the order.

D. RESPONSIBILITY OF SCHOOL PERSONNEL

1. The school nurse/designee will assume responsibility for placing medication/supplies in a locked area. Controlled medication will be counted and documented at the time of acceptance or pick-up.
2. The school nurse/designee will administer all medications/treatments as ordered by the HCP and will document date/time. School nurses will provide training for medication/treatment administration to designated back-up personnel.
3. Discontinued or unused medications must be picked up by the parent/guardian. If not claimed by the end of the school year, the school nurse will properly dispose of the medication and document per guidelines.
4. Nurses will prepare field trip medication dosages per the Board of Pharmacy Guidance Document. Medications/Treatment orders, properly labeled will be given to the student’s teacher the morning of a field trip. Treatments may require other consideration/planning **prior** to the field trip. Parents as well as staff should have this conversation with the nurse.

E. EMERGENCY MEDICATIONS

The School Health TEAM with the assistance of the Rapp. Area Health Director and Allergy Partners of Fredericksburg have provided school nurses in Caroline, Fredericksburg, King George, Spotsylvania, and Stafford Schools with protocols for emergency medications/treatment of students during an acute incident of asthma and anaphylaxis. These situations would be considered life threatening with 911 and parents being called immediately. The protocols provided would never replace individual student medical orders or health care plans provided by parents and HCP.