Medication Administration & Health Information

Medications including <u>both</u> prescription (prescribed by a physician) and non-prescription medications (over the counter) to be taken during the school day will only be administered after the parent/guardian completes a *Knoxville School District Medication Authorization Form*. These forms are available in the school office, nurses office at MWES or online. This form needs to be filled out for each new school year or for any new medication given.

For all prescribed medications, the physician must fill out the prescription medication form. This form must be signed by the physician and the parent/guardian. Any prescribed medications must be in the original container from the pharmacy including the student's name, prescribing physician, medication name and dose. Any medications brought to school without the completed medication authorization form or not in the original container will not be administered.

The initial dosage of the ANY medication must be given at home.

The safest schedule for your child is to schedule any medications before school, after school and before bedtime. Ask your physician when prescribing medications for this schedule.(examples: Antibiotics, Eye drops – pink eye)

For all non-prescription medication (over the counter) these need to be brought in with the manufacturer's original label with the ingredients listed. Place your child's first and last name on the bottle or box of medication. The non-prescription medication form must be filled out by the parent/guardian and signed. Any medications brought to school without the completed medication authorization form or in original container will not be administered.

Students with inhalers or Epi pens are allowed to carry these with them in the high school and junior high school level (prescription medication authorization forms still need to be completed and on file in the school office) all other medications are to be kept in the office.

If your child has a medical conditions please notify the School District Nurse, Linda Murray, RN at 289-4134, ext. 410. You must discuss any medical conditions with the School Nurse such as seizure disorder, asthma, diabetes, etc. Please notify the School Nurse of any medical condition so the appropriate plan of care for the student is put in place.

Please keep the school informed of all emergency phone numbers. It is important that you notify the school of **any** changes in work, cell, or home phone numbers. We want to be able to reach you as quickly as possible if your child is injured or ill at school.

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