## **Medications at School**

- Medications should be administered by a parent/guardian before or after school hours if at all
  possible.
- **Non-prescription** medication requested by the parent/guardian to be given at school requires written **parental** permission on a standard form provided by the school.
- Prescription medication requires written permission from the physician and parent on a standard form provided by the school.
- Medication must be brought to school from home in its original container and properly labeled.
- Medication can only be given in compliance with the labeling or prescription.
- We cannot give medication that has expired, so please check the expiration date.
- We cannot give the first dose of any medication at school. (Students should be monitored for allergic reactions or side effects during the first dose given at home.)
- The parent/guardian must assume responsibility for notifying the principal or school nurse of any changes in the student's medications or health status.

## **Self-Carry/Self-Medicate Information**

Students are not allowed to carry medications with them at school without written permission from their physician, parent, principal, and school nurse. If your middle or high school child has a medical condition such as asthma or severe allergy, it may be beneficial for them to carry their medications. This decision should be made based on each child's needs in conjunction with your healthcare provider. Consider keeping emergency medication in the health room as well in the event that the student forgets or loses his medication.

## There are 3 forms required to Self-Carry/Self-Medicate at school:

- 1) Permission for School Administration of Prescription Medication
- 2) Physician's Order for Self Medication Form
- 3) Permission for Student to Carry and Self-Administer Medication (Parents and school)