

Medications may be taken at school under the direction of the school nurse. Prescription medication cannot be given without a written doctor's order and written parent/guardian consent. A POASD medication permission form must be signed by both the physician and the parent, and be sent to the school with the medication. This medication consent form can be located under the "Documents" tab.

Over-the-counter medications can be administered if the parent/guardian provides the school nurse with a signed written consent that includes the student's name, medication name, dosage, and time medication is to be administered.

Medication that students are required to take during school must stay locked in the health office medication cabinet. Students are not allowed to store medications in their backpacks or carry medications during the school day unless the physician order states "must carry." Examples of "must carry" medications may include: metered dose asthma inhalers, Epi-pens, diabetic supplies, & other medications for medical conditions as specified by the physician.

Prescription and over-the-counter medication (OTC) must be in the original container from the pharmacy or manufacturer. The nurse cannot accept loose medication in bags or envelopes. For safety reasons, medication not sent in the properly labeled container by the pharmacy or manufacturer cannot be given.

Any student carrying medications without a written physician's order on file in the health office and permission from the nurse are in violation of the school's drug policy and may be disciplined according to school policy.