

## **Churchill County School District Medications at School**

The Churchill County School District policy prohibits the administration to students of any medication, prescriptive or non-prescriptive, without written permission of the physician, parent/guardian and the school nurse. Non-prescriptive medications include, but are not limited to, all aspirin, acetaminophen, ibuprofen, cough syrup and other medicinal health aides. Students at the Middle School and High School are permitted to carry and self-administer over the counter medications. Self-carry medications: Inhalers and EpiPens are permitted for any age student to carry in their backpack, as long as the Self-Carry form is filled out.

### **Message For Families**

Dear Parent/Guardian,

You have requested that the school district assist your child with his or her medication during the school day, and we are happy to comply with your request.

Our department takes this responsibility very seriously, as we know that you do, and we must make certain that this procedure is not only safe for your child, but also safe for the individual who will be assisting your child with the medication. It is in your best interest to clarify a few very important points of our Administration Regulation and department protocol regarding medication:

- Any medication that is to be given by school personnel must have a physician's order and a parent consent
- Any change in the dosage of the medication, or the time to be given requires a new written consent from your physician.
- The discontinuation of certain medication can have adverse side effects on your child. You may be asked by the school nurse for a written physician order or physician's notification to discontinue or restart medication.
- Medication must be sent to school in the original pharmacy container. Medication that is sent in a baggie or envelope will not be accepted or given by school personnel.

Thank you for your cooperation in this effort. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your school nurse or Health Aide.

To find these medication forms: Go to the Churchill County School District Homepage, click on "Family & Students" at the top, then click on "Student Health Services," from here go to "Forms and Policies." Download and print the form that is appropriate for your child, which will either be the "Request to Carry & Self-Administer Asthma Rescue Inhaler or Epinephrine Auto-Injector," or the "Request for Medication During School Day" form(s).

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