

**ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION**

Pursuant to New Jersey State Law, the administration of medications to students in the Toms River Regional Schools will be conducted under these specific rules:

1. No medication, prescription or non-prescription (e.g. cough drops, aspirin, Tylenol, etc.), will be given to a student by the school nurse unless it is received in the original container and accompanied by a written parental/guardian request which **MUST** include:

<b>Name of student</b>	<b>Grade</b>
<b>Name of teacher</b>	<b>Time to be taken</b>
<b>Name of physician</b>	<b>Length of time medication will be required</b>
<b>Name of medication</b>	<b>Date and signature of parent or guardian</b>
<b>Dosage of medication</b>	<b>Date and signature of physician</b>

2. All medication are to be held in the school nurse's office, with the parent/ guardian assuming the responsibility for delivering such and picking up unused when no longer needed.
3. Prescription medication must be in the original pharmacy-labeled container.
4. "Medication" means a drug approved by the Federal Food and Drug Administration for preventing, caring for, and assisting in the cure of disease and injury that has a written order from a physician licensed in medicine, dentistry or osteopathy, or from an advance practice nurse. Medication does not include herbal remedies". (NJAC 6A:16- 1.3)
5. Opportunities must be provided for pupil/parent/physician/school nurse communications.
6. The school physician may be consulted by the school nurse whenever necessary to discuss medications being given to students, including long-term use or possible abuse of any over-the-counter medications.
7. With written request from the parent/guardian and with written note from the physician, an asthmatic student may be allowed to carry his/her inhaler during school day, school activities. Following the use of the prescription inhaler, the student should report to the school nurse who will then document the usage of the inhaler. (Per Asthma Treatment Plan)
8. With a written request from the parent/guardian and with a written note from the physician, a student may be allowed to carry an epipen during after-school activities.
9. No student will be allowed to medicate him/herself during school hours. (The only exception is Number 6 and 7 above). The Self Medication Permission Form must be completed.
10. Under no circumstances wilt I.V. medication be administered by the school nurse.

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