

STAUNTON COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 6

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Medication Policy and Procedures:

When absolutely necessary, students may require medication during school hours. Staunton CUSD#6 has policies and procedures in place to allow for this to happen safely. If your child needs to take medication at school, please contact the school nurse at (618) 635 – 2962 x 253. There are medication order forms that must be completed and turned in. In accordance to School Board policy 7:720, **Physician orders are required for all medicine administered at school, including over-the-counter(OTC) medicines such as Tylenol and Ibuprofen.** Parents/guardians are responsible for obtaining the physician's order and returning it and the medication to school.

- The medicine must be brought to school in the original bottle/container(OTC) or with a pharmacy label (for prescription medications). **Students may not transport their own medication, for safety reasons a parent/guardian should perform this task.**
- All medication(s) are to be stored in a locked cabinet. A refrigerator is available if required.
- At the end of the year or medication regime, it is the parent/guardians responsibility for removing the unused medication from the school. If the parent/guardian does not pick up the medication, the school nurse will dispose of the medication.
- New medication forms must be filled out each year.
- Students are not allowed to carry any medication on them at any time. The only exceptions to this are inhalers, epi-pens, and diabetes supplies/medications. There are special forms for students to carry these medications. These forms are available from the school nurse. Physician's signature is not required for students carrying and administering their own asthma inhalers, although an Asthma Action Plan is. For all students with a diagnosis of asthma, a new Asthma Action Plan should be completed by the physician and turned in to the school nurse yearly.
- Schools are required to follow Illinois licensing laws as well as Illinois School Code when administering medicine for the safety of your child and others.
- See Staunton CUSD #6 handbook (page 35) for additional policy information under Administering Medicines to Students (School Board Policy 7:270)
 - According to School Board policy 7:270, Students should not take medication during school hours or during school-related activities unless it is necessary for a student's health and well-being. When a student's licensed health care provider and parent(s)/guardians(s) believe that it is necessary for the student to take a medication during school hours or school-related activities, the parent/guardian must request that the school dispense the medication to the child and otherwise follow the District's procedures on dispensing medication. No School District employee shall administer to any student, or supervise a student's self-administration of, any prescription or non-prescription medication until a completed and signed "School Medication Authorization Form" is submitted by the student's parent(s)/guardian(s).

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