

## **Administration of Medicine and Epinephrine Policy**

A student can be administered medicine at school if their parent/guardian submits statement to this effect to be kept file at the school, signed by the prescribing physician and the parent/guardian. The required forms are available from the school's office manager.

School personnel cannot prescribe or give advice regarding any kind of medication. All medication must be in the original container with the appropriate pharmacy label. Whenever possible, medication prescribed three times daily (antibiotics) should be given at home, i.e., at breakfast, after school, and at bedtime. Seven days after the last authorized dose of medication any empty or unused medications will be discarded.

In compliance with La. R.S. 17:436.1(K), the school shall maintain a supply of auto-injectable epinephrine for emergency use, stored in an accessible but secure location. Self-administration of epinephrine is permitted in accordance with La. R.S. 17:436.1(N), provided that all required documentation is on file. If a staff member witnesses signs of anaphylaxis, a trained staff member shall immediately administer epinephrine, call 911, and notify the student's parent or guardian. Intentional misuse of auto-injectable epinephrine by a student will result in disciplinary action.

Please do not place medications (aside from injectable epinephrine) in lunch boxes, backpacks or pockets including: Tums, chap-sticks, headache/pain relievers, sunscreen or any other over-the-counter medications.