

## Medication Policy

During the school year it may be necessary for your child to take prescription or nonprescription medications during the school day. These medications may need to be given daily or on an as needed basis. In order for this to happen you are required to follow the FCPS Medication Administration Policy.

If medication is needed at school:

1. **You must have a Physician's Medication Authorization for Prescription and Nonprescription Medication form completed.** This form would need to be completed by **both parent and physician.**
2. The medication needs to be in the original container and/or properly labeled prescription bottle. The medication label must match the physician's order form and be current. **NO MEDICATION WILL BE GIVEN IN SCHOOL WITHOUT THE COMPLETED FORM AND PROPER LABELING.**
3. All non-prescription medication must come to school in an unopened package.
4. An adult must transport any medications to and from school.
5. Antibiotic administration is discouraged as physicians can accommodate proper dosing times around the school day.
6. The first full day's dosage of ANY new medication must be given at home.
7. If your child requires an **EPIPEN** at school the **Authorization for Management of an Allergic Reaction form** is required.
8. Inhalers may be carried on the student, with a completed Physicians Medication Authorization form and approval by the school nurse. **Please be sure your physician checks the appropriate boxes at the bottom of the medication form permitting self-carrying.**

\*\*Please check expiration dates of all medications prior to sending to school. For further questions, you may contact the health room at (240) 236-7614.