

LAKELAND SCHOOL CORPORATION

SCHOOL MEDICATION POLICY

"It is the policy of the Lakeland School Corporation that all students' medication be administered by a parent at home. Only under exceptional circumstances, wherein a child's health may be in jeopardy without it, may medications be administered by school personnel. When medication is administered at school it may be done only with directions and/or instructions from the physician and signed permission given by the parent or guardian." (Lakeland School Board Policy JHCD. Revised February 19, 1996)

- **No medication should be sent to school unless it is absolutely necessary.**
- **Prescription medication**
 - MUST have the current prescription label on the container.
 - Parent/guardian must have a signed permission form on file.
- **Non-prescription medication**
 - Must be in the original labeled container
 - Have a written note from the physician stating what it is to be given for.
 - If the physician does not write a specific dose to be given, the manufacturer's dosage recommendations will be followed.
 - The written physician note will be recognized for one school year.
 - Signed permission from the parent/guardian is required.
- Medication ordered three times a day or less should be given before school, after school, and/or at bedtime.
- Prescription medication with a specific time listed that is during school hours will be given as directed.
- Students with medication prescribed four times a day will receive one dose at school.
- **No medication, (prescription or non-prescription), may be brought to school or sent home with a student in grades K-8.**
 - Medication must be dropped off and/or be picked up in the school office.
 - Medication is to be released only to a parent/guardian or an individual who is at least 18 years of age with written permission from parent/guardian.
 - Medication may be sent home with a student in grades 9- 12 with written permission from parent/guardian.
- Medication may not be left at school to be taken the following year. Any medication left following the last day of school will be disposed of.
- No herbal medications/supplements or medications not approved by the FDA will be given at school.

- **Over the counter cough drops:**
 - Must be brought to school by a parent/guardian (grades k-8)
 - Requires written permission by parent/guardian (grades k-12)
 - Must be stored in the clinic unless otherwise written by a physician (grades k-12)
 - Manufacture dosage directions will be followed unless a physician gives written instructions.

- Students may bring *nonprescription* chap stick and lotion to school without written permission.
 - Should be kept in the student's classroom per teacher's discretion. (grades k-6)
 - May be kept on their person. (grades 7-12)

The school shall not be responsible for the diagnosis and treatment of student illness. **The administration of FDA approved medication or treatments will only be permitted when failure to do so would jeopardize the health of the student or when the student would not be able to attend school if the medication or treatment were not made available during school hours.**

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