

M E D I C A T I O N

Prescription medication

The Orwell School District recognizes that at the present time many children are able to attend regular school because of the effective use of prescribed medication in the treatment of chronic disabilities or illnesses. It is more desirable for medication to be administered at home; however, any student who is required to take prescribed medication during the regular school day must comply with the following:

1. Written orders from a physician detailing the name of the student, the drug dosage, reason for giving, and the time of the medication is to be given must be received by the school nurse and/or the nurse designee before the medication can be given. Long term medication must be renewed by a physician each school year. This form is in the nurse's office.
2. Written permission from the parent/guardian of the student requesting that the school district comply with the physician's order. This form is available in the nurse's office.
3. Students with chronic illnesses, who are responsible for self administering their medications should be allowed to continue this practice.
4. Medications shall be kept in a locked cabinet in the school health office. However, there are some asthmatics who do carry personal inhalers with the permission of the physician, parent/guardian, and the school nurse.
5. Medication must be brought to school in a container appropriately labeled by the pharmacy or physician. Medication should not be transported back and forth on a daily basis.
6. Unused medication shall be returned to the parent/guardian for disposition.

Non-prescription medication

1. Non-prescription medication may be administered at school providing parents sign a non-prescription form with the name of medication, time to be given, dosage, and reason for administration. The medication must be given to the school nurse or her designee and kept in the nurse's office in a locked cabinet.
2. A standard order form will be sent to all parents requesting permission to administer the following medications on an

as needed basis throughout the school year; i.e., Tylenol, calamine, Hydrogen Peroxide, Alcohol, Vaseline, Cough Drops, and Bacitracin ointment.

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