

Thrall ISD Medication Policy

Thrall ISD Medication Policy information and procedures are designed to insure compliance with the Texas Education Code.

Parents are encouraged to schedule the administration of medicine in such a manner that medication required at school is kept to a minimum. **However, if it becomes necessary for your child to take medication (prescription or nonprescription) during the school day, the following procedures MUST be followed.**

No students (PK – 12grade) are allowed to have medication in their possession during school hours with the exception of students with diabetes, asthma and allergy causing anaphylaxis then only if the appropriate forms are completed and the student is able to follow the rules.

We DO NOT stock any non- prescription medications in the health office.

1. A Health Services Medication Consent Form is to be completed and given to the school health office with all prescription and/or non-prescription medication. When prescriptions are filled, ask for two labeled containers: one for school, one for home.

When medications are given daily for more than 10 days, a PHYSICIAN'S SIGNATURE IS REQUIRED. Orders from physicians licensed in other US states may be accepted on a temporary, 30 day basis while families new to Texas establish a medical home.

Parents must bring all medication to the health office

No medication will be sent home with a student. Parents/Guardians or other responsible adult must pick up all medications whether prescription or over-the-counter.

2. Prescription medication must be in the original container and non-expired. It must be properly labeled in a prescription bottle/box with the student's name, medication name, directions for dispensing the drug and written by a physician licensed to practice in the United States. **A physician's signature is required for any dosage or medication change on prescription medication**

3. Any sample medication prescribed by the practitioner must be labeled and accompanied by a prescription, and the parent must complete the Medication Consent Form.

4. No intravenous, intramuscular or subcutaneous medications, with the exception of diabetes medications or epinephrine will be considered for administration at school.

5. Non Prescription Medications MUST be in the **original container**. The label MUST include appropriate dosing for the AGE of the student. This includes medications such as Tylenol, cough drops, Neosporin, antibiotic ointments and cold/allergy medications.

6. No herbal medications or products, medications from another country or in a language other than English, outdated medications, trial or study medications will be administered during school hours by the health office.

7. The district is not responsible to provide medications for students or the adjunct equipment to deliver the medication (example: nebulizer or oxygen, and the tubing or face mask).

8. Students with asthma are permitted by Texas law and Thrall ISD policy to self-administer their asthma medication provided that the School Asthma Plan form is signed by the student, parent, and the practitioner/doctor prescribing the medication each school year. Students with asthma are expected to report recurrent or worsening symptoms to the health office, so that the parent may be notified of the student's current condition.

9. In the event that the school health office performs numerous therapies and treatments for students along with numerous prescription medications to be administered, or there is inadequate space to lock

medications in the Health Office, the ability to dispense non-prescription medications may be limited.

10. The school health office retains the right to refuse to dispense the medication during school hours, if in his/her opinion it is in conflict with the Texas Board of Nurse Examiners Rules and Regulations, or the medication is not labeled by the FDA for the age group or purpose for which it is requested to be given. A request for a physician to clarify orders or have ongoing communication to address health issues may occur.

11. It is the responsibility of the student to report to the health office to take his/her medication. If the student forgets to come in for his/her daily dose, the health office will make every effort to call the student in as time permits. In the absence of the school health office, the principal's designee shall administer the medication to the student.

12. It is the parent's responsibility to obtain medication from the health office on or before the last day of school. All medications will then be discarded.

13. All medication, treatment, and therapy medical orders must be updated each school year in order to have the school health office perform the requested action.

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