

Edgewood Independent School District
Health Services Medication Policy

For the safety of all students, please take note of the following important information about the administration of medication during school hours.

*Prescription and non-prescription medication requests have to be renewed at the beginning of each new school year.

*Prescription medications may only be given if prescribed by a person licensed to practice medicine or dentistry in the United States. (ex: M.D., D.O., D.D.S., Nurse Practitioner or P.A.)

*Only medications that are necessary for a student's medical care and that cannot be given outside of school hours will be administered.

*Only medications that are up to date may be administered. Please check expiration dates before bringing medication to school.

*Please provide written consent and specific instructions for each medication. There are medication forms available for this purpose in the school clinic and on the website.

*All medication must be in its original, properly labeled container (no baggies or envelopes will be accepted). Medications are given per label instructions. If a dosage is changed for a prescription (Ritalin or Adderall for example) a written statement or fax from the physician will suffice until a new bottle is provided.

*Asthma inhalers may be carried by the students during the school day with a medication administration form completed by parent/guardian. We urge you to keep an extra inhaler in the clinic as back up.

*Over-the-counter (non-prescription) medications such as Tylenol, Advil or cough drops/formula must be provided from home in its original container with written consent and specific instructions for the use. The school nurse does not stock or dispense these medications.

*At the end of the school year, any unused medications will need to be picked up by a parent, guardian or designated responsible adult. Medications that are not picked up by the last day of school will be discarded.