

JOHNSON SCHOOL  
NAHANT, MASSACHUSETTS

MEDICATION NOTICE

Dear Parents:

State law prohibits administering any medication at school without the appropriate forms completed and on file in the nurse's office. These must be filled out for each new school year.

1. Complete the "Over the Counter Medication" form if you want your child to be allowed to take the medications listed on the form. They will be administered by the school nurse in the Health Office if there is a parent/guardian signature on file.
2. Complete the "Authorization for dispensing medication in school" form if your child takes a prescription medication on a daily basis, or frequently at school. (ex. inhalers to be kept in the Health Office) **This form needs to be filled out by the physician and parents, and signed by both.**
3. Students needing a prescription medication for an illness, and for 10 days or less, (ex. oral antibiotics), can bring it to school **in it's original pharmacy container**, (most pharmacies will give a second bottle for school) **and a note from a parent explaining:**
  - a. why it is being given
  - b. what time it is to be given
  - c. the dosage to be administered

Medication should be delivered to the school nurse with the necessary information provided to allow your child to receive the medication as soon as possible. Ask your pharmacies to provide unit dose blister packs, or a second **labeled** bottle for the school. **Liquid medication and inhalers must be delivered in original containers labeled by the pharmacy or manufacturer.**

If your child is taking medication at home on a regular basis (ex. extended release Ritalin, or daily inhaler use, etc.), I encourage you to let me know. There is a line to fill in this information on the Health and Emergency Form at the bottom. In the event of an emergency, where you can not be reached, I need to be able to give this information to emergency/hospital personnel.

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions please call me at 581-1600.

Sincerely,  
Cheryl DiLisio, R.N.