## MEDICATIONS AT SCHOOL

The use of medications at school is discouraged in most instances. Most medications are available in long acting form and parents are encouraged to administer such medication at home.

Prescription medications will be administered to students at school only on the specific written request of the student's parent or guardian <u>and</u> with the written authorization of the student's physician. Medication Authorization Forms are available in the school office or on the school website. All prescription medications must be provided in the original pharmacy labeled container. The pharmacy label must match the accompanying Medication Authorization.

Over-the-counter medications will be administered to students at school only on the specific written request of the student's parent or guardian <u>and</u> with the written authorization of the student's physician. Medication Authorization Forms are available in the school office or on the school website. All over-the-counter medications must be provided in the original packaging, which includes dose and frequency information.

Herbal and homeopathic remedies may not be administered at school.

**Seventh and eighth grade students** may assume the responsibility for bringing to school and administering their own over-the-counter medications (such as acetaminophen, ibuprofen, or cold preparations). These medications must be in the original packaging. Students should not carry more than a one-day supply of over-the-counter medications. Students using poor judgment in carrying and taking their own over-the-counter medications will have such medication confiscated by school personnel, and parents will be notified. A structured plan may be developed for the administration of the medication.