

Medication Policy Changes Medical Concerns and Medications in school or for Field Trips

Any medication to be administered at school or on a CCSD sponsored field trip requires a Doctor's Order and parent signature. This includes all off campus and extended field trips.

Over-The-Counter Medications (OTC) will no longer be stocked and/or administered at school or on field trips without a doctor's order and parent signature. Parents should notify the teacher and nurse if your child has a special health care need. Medication order forms are available online at:

http://www.ccsdschools.com/Academic/NursingServices/index.php

Prescription medications should be brought to the clinic in the original labeled prescription container. Parents should bring in ONLY enough medications needed for the field trip. Medications need to be brought to the school clinic by a responsible ADULT then signed out thru the School Nurse by the CCSD employee who will administer the medications on the field trip.

Students <u>can not</u> carry or self administer non life saving medications. Students with life threatening medical conditions may carry emergency medications with special permission from their Doctor and Parent.

While some assume that OTC medications are incapable of causing harm, OTC medications do have contraindications. As a school district, we must be mindful that we often do not have knowledge of students' complete medical histories, and what we do not know could result in harm to a student. OTC medications should be provided by the parent in a manufacturer's container with the seal and label intact. Medication administration will be the responsibility of the trained designated CCSD employee.

Contact your school nurse with any medication or medical procedures questions.