

# MEDICATIONS

Lotus students may receive medications at school according to the following procedure:

- Medications may not be in the personal possession of students. Medications must be kept in the Health Office and administered by delegated staff.
- For all prescription and non-prescription medications, a student's parent or guardian shall make a written request for school personnel to administer medications by providing a completed [Medication Permission form](#), which is to be signed by both parent/guardian and physician.
- A new form must be signed and submitted for each new prescription medication, non-prescription medication or dosage change. Authorization forms must be completed each school year.
- Medications should always be delivered to the Health Office by an adult.
- EXCEPTION: Any secondary student who requires the use of an inhaler or Epi-Pen may carry and self-administer the prescribed medication if the physician signs a specific statement on the Medication Administration Authorization form, endorsing the student's capability for this. Self-Carry contract is completed.
- Prescription medication supplied by the student's parents or guardian must be in a properly labeled bottle dispensed by a pharmacy.
- The label and the physician order must match.
- Health room staff are not allowed to cut pills. Consider liquids.
- Non-prescription, "as needed" medications must be in the original labeled container. The bottle should also be labeled with the student's name.
- It is the responsibility of the parent to obtain all unused medication from the school when the medication is expired, discontinued, the school year ends, or the student transfers to another school. At the end of a school year, school staff will dispose of all unclaimed medications.

**Parents/guardians may always come to school and administer medication to their child.**

# ASTHMA AND ALLERGIES

Student with Allergies and Asthma should use the state approved Health Care Plans available on the website or from the School Health Office. Secondary students' grades 6-12 may utilize the Self Carry Contract. This contract must be signed by the parent, the student and the school nurse. The student will be monitored by the school nurse and this right may be relinquished if student does not have their inhaler when needed or is inappropriately using. Use of the Intake and History forms gives school staff more information about your student's chronic condition.