Administration of Prescription Medication In The Westmoreland County Public Schools

Because of the dangers of misuse of drugs we attempt to discourage administration of medication during school hours and whenever possible request that doses of medication be scheduled at other than school hours.

Students needing occasional medication, such as penicillin, etc., for colds, earaches, and sore throats, are to take those medications at home, if possible. Medication that is prescribed three (3) times a day can be given before the student comes to school, after school, and again at bedtime.

We recognize that this is not always possible and will cooperate in administration of medication that must be given during school hours. In order for us to undertake this, these regulations require:

- 1. That the prescribed medicine must be brought to school in the container labeled by the pharmacy or physician.
- 2. That a written statement must be sent giving the specific times and dosages to be given at school.
- 3. That the medications to be brought to the school by the parent or legal guardian in a container which is appropriately labeled by the pharmacy or the physician.
- 4. That if a parent or legal guardian is unable to deliver the medication to the school it is required that he/she CALL THE SCHOOL in order to confirm that it is being delivered by the pupil.

MEDICATION CONSENT I give my consent for the Nurse or Office Personnel to give my child, ________, the medicine prescribed by Dr. ______ on _____ (date). The medication is to be given until ______ (date). Name of Medication: _______ Dosage to be given: ______ Time to be given: _______ The medication must be brought to school in the bottle supplied by the drug store with the correct label intact and the accurate instructions. This form or a written note containing the same information must be sent. Parent's Signature: _______ Date: _______

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