

STUDENT MEDICATION

While most parents are aware that any prescription medication their student must take during school hours requires an IUSD medication form completed by both parent and physician, many parents do not realize that inhalers and **all** over-the-counter medications, such as Tylenol or Benadryl, fall into this category as well. The California Ed. Code, Section 49423 allows school personnel to administer medication only when an IUSD medication form is on file in the school health office.

The IUSD medication form is available from the health office or from the IUSD website at www.IUSD.org. Once on the website, select “Health Services” from the column on the left. Scroll down to and click on “Medication.” From there, double click on “Medication Request Side One and Two.pdf” and print those pages.

If you find yourself in need of a form while at the doctor’s office, just have the office staff print the form from the IUSD website. Complete and sign the parent section and ask your child’s doctor to complete, sign, and stamp the physician’s section. Then return the completed form to the school health office, along with the medication in the **original pharmacy container**. The medication form is valid for the remainder of the school year in which it was signed.

Students diagnosed with asthma or severe life-threatening allergies may carry and self-administer their emergency inhaler and/or EpiPen with signed physician permission (on the IUSD medication form) and school nurse approval. **Please do not send inhalers or any other medication to school with your student without having the completed IUSD medication form on file in the school health office.**

If you have any questions, please contact the school nurse at (949) 936-6111.