

ASTHMA INHALERS AT SCHOOL

To all parents who send asthma medicine (inhalers) to school:

In order for a student to self-administer and carry an inhaler, certain requirements must be met. House Bill 1688, section 38.013, Education code, entitles a student with asthma to possess and self-administer prescription asthma medicine while on school property or at a school-related event under certain conditions.

1. The inhaler **MUST** have a prescription label showing that the medication was prescribed for that student and with instructions for proper administration.
2. Written authorization from the parent.
3. Physician's written statement which includes the following:
 - a. Student is capable of self-administration
 - b. Medication name, purpose, dosage, administration times or circumstances, and the period of time for which it is prescribed.

The medication and all required documents must be presented to the School Nurse for evaluation before the student is allowed to possess the medication. This required paperwork must be kept on file in the School Nurse's Office. (MUST BE DONE EACH SCHOOL YEAR). Forms are available from your School Nurse, or online if needed.

Also, please advise your child that allowing another student to use any medication that is prescribed for him/her could result in suspension from school.

Any medications that are non-compliant with the State Laws that govern medications at school may be taken from the student and the parent notified.

Scurry-Rosser ISD Health Services