

Washington DC Trip

Medication Information

The following are some general rules and guidelines for bringing and administering medications on the Washington DC trip.

1. All medications must have the Authorization for the Administration of Medication by School Personnel form filled out.

Whether the medication is over the counter or prescription it is required to have a form filled out. This form must be signed by parent/guardian and must be signed by a physician including all information (name of drug, dosage, times/intervals). Even if this is a medication that is not suggested or prescribed by your physician it still requires a signature by a licensed physician. Yes, even things such as ibuprofen or allergy medication that can be purchased over the counter require these things.

2. Only emergency medications are allowed to be self-carry.

Only Epi-Pens and rescue inhalers are permitted to be carried by the student. This still requires the same authorization form along with the 2nd page to be filled out by parent, physician and student. It is recommended that a 2nd rescue medication be provided to the nurse to ensure that one is available at all times. Students do not always remember them or they may lose or misplace them. We do not want to be in a situation when the medication is needed and not available.

3. In order for medications to be accepted they must come in the original container.

Prescription and over the counter medications must come in the original container and must match the written prescription provided.

Please send the minimum amount of medication needed or a small bottle. Example. We do not need a large, 1000 quantity bottle of ibuprofen. This just takes up more space than necessary. Travel sizes or small quantity bottles are ideal.

4. Dropping off medications.

All medications must be brought in to the school nurse by parent or guardian. This can be done within the couple of weeks prior to the trip. By doing this it allows us to ensure that the forms are properly filled out and everything is completed. This allows time for proper organization of all the medications received.