



An Important Note From the School Nurse

Dear Parents,

As the new school year begins I wanted to introduce myself and wish you all a happy and healthy academic school year!

With the increased prevalence of allergies, I ask that all students who must receive any type of medication while in school send in...

- A physician's order and
- A note from home stating
 1. The type of medication to be received
 2. The amount of medication and
 3. In what instance the medication should be given to the student.

"Under Massachusetts General Laws, a licensed nurse must have a medication order from a physician, dentist, nurse practitioner, or physician's assistant in order to administer any medicine, whether it is a prescription drug or over-the-counter medication"

This means that prescription drugs as well as medications including Tylenol, Motrin, and Tums would require both a physician's standing order as well as a note from home as described above.

I apologize for the inconvenience but I assure you that this change is being implemented in order to ensure the safety of your children. If you have any questions at all feel free to give me a call at (978) 465-7780. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Sincerely,

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