Episcopal School of Baton Rouge Medication Policy

The Episcopal School of Baton Rouge Medication Policy is adapted from Louisiana law RS.17:436.1. Students are not permitted to bring ANY medications to school on their person, including any over-the-counter medications. This is a very important safety precaution as our campus includes students from Pre-K3 through 12th grades. The school nurses, teachers, and administrative staff have the right to take away any such medication from the student and contact the parent for appropriate information. If a student takes OTC/prescription medications at school, these guidelines must be followed.

- The current school year over-the-counter medication form and/or prescription form must be completed and signed by the parent/guardian <u>and</u> primary care practitioner. Acceptable practitioners are MD, DO, APRN, or PA.
- > The medicine must be clearly labeled. Unlabeled medicine CANNOT be dispensed.
- A PARENT/GUARDIAN must bring the medication to school in the original container, or for prescription medications, in a pharmacy bottle with prescription label. The prescription label must have the students name, clear directions for use, medication name and dosage. Pharmacies will often give an extra bottle and label if requested. Students are not permitted to bring the medication to the infirmary.
- No more than a 35 school day supply of medication shall be kept at school
- > All medications will be counted and placed in a locked cabinet in the infirmary.
- > Parents are to inform their child to report to the Infirmary at the appropriate time for medication.

FIELD TRIPS:

Episcopal School of Baton Rouge will try to make every accommodation for a nurse to be present for field trips during school hours. However, if circumstances do not permit then medications normally administered at school may be administered by a teacher or coach with specific instructions from the school nurse.