FREEPORT AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Medication Policy Description

The Freeport Area School District recognizes that parents have the primary responsibility for the health of their children, including the administration of medication. Thus, in accordance with the school district's policy regarding medication administration, <u>medications</u> (prescription and non-prescription or over-the counter medication) will **not** be administered at school.

Parents should advise their physicians and dentists of this policy so prescribed medicines can be given before and after school hours.

We realize that there may be particular circumstances when an exception must be made. If a child's physician/dentist feels such an exception applies, we request that the parent call the school nurse **before** sending any medication to school so that child's unique situation can be evaluated and the appropriate forms may be completed by the parent and doctor. **Any medication sent to school without the required forms signed by both the parent and doctor will not be given and will be returned home.**

A parent or designee of the parent is welcome at any time to come to the school to administer medication during the school day. Students are not permitted to carry their own medication (except for those children diagnosed with asthma who must carry inhalers).

Please call the school nurse if you have any questions regarding this policy.