

## CAREPLANS

Health history, medication orders and care plans **MUST** be done every school year. If it was done for the 2020-2021 school year it is no longer in effect for the 2021-2022 school year. Please read this letter completely and please contact the school nurse if you have further questions.

## IMMUNIZATION Requirements

Arkansas's immunization requirements are to reduce and eliminate vaccine-preventable diseases among Arkansas's children, adolescents and adults. Each student must have completed the required immunizations in order to attend school. Please be sure your child is up to date on all immunizations. Your child's healthcare provider can help you determine if he/she needs further immunizations.

### **ALL STUDENTS ENTERING THE 12TH GRADE MUST HAVE HAD THEIR BOOSTER MENINGOCOCCAL VACCINE (GIVEN AFTER AGE OF 16).**

If you have a medical or religious reason to refuse the immunization then we need a signed Objection letter for immunizations, it must be signed before the start of every school year. Parent/Guardian will have to sign and complete one for 2021-2022 school year.

## STUDENT HEALTH HISTORY and LIFE-THREATENING CONDITIONS

Please let the school nurse know if your student has significant health history, life threatening allergies or special medical concerns. If your child has a life-threatening condition (defined as "a health condition that will put a child in danger of death during the school day if a medication or treatment order and a nursing plan are not in place"), a nursing Emergency Care Plan (ECP) must be provided by the child's licensed healthcare provider(LHP) and/or developed by the District Nurse, in consultation with you, and based on the LHP's instructions. This includes asthma, diabetes, seizures, and allergy with Epi-pen or other medical conditions. A PHYSICIAN'S NOTE IS REQUIRED if your child has FOOD allergies so we can provide substitutions. It must be a DIAGNOSED allergy and not just sensitivity.

## MEDICATION AT SCHOOL - FORMS AVAILABLE AT SCHOOL OFFICE

When a child requires medication, in most cases this can be given at home, outside the regular school hours. However, if your child must receive medication in order to be in school, you will need to bring to the school a "Medication Administration Record" (MAR) form that is dated and signed by a parent/guardian.

All over the counter (OTC) medication, requires a MAR or a Parent Request for OTC medication for ALL medications, you must bring the medication to the school yourself in the original pharmacy-labeled bottle; do not send with your child. Ask your pharmacist to supply you with a special bottle for school use.

All medication must be picked-up by a parent/guardian at the end of the school year. Medication not retrieved will be destroyed at the end of the year.