

Medication Guidelines – HTMS Band Spring Trip

- It is very important that medicine is handled very carefully on school trips. If your child will require any prescription or over the counter medications for the field trip, please read the following guidelines. Failure to follow these guidelines could result in medicine not being accepted.
- Any parent that is an official chaperone will administer medication for **their own child** and do not have to have any forms completed.

Prescription Medication:

1. A **school medication provider/ parent authorization form** has to be completed and signed by the physician that prescribed the medication for the student, as well as signed by the parent.
2. **The prescription has to be received in the original prescription bottle.** Please make every effort to send only the number of pills, tablets, etc. needed for the trip.
3. Students may keep inhalers, epipens and insulin on their person **if the school medication provider/ parent authorization form** that is completed by the physician and parent gives the student permission to do so. These are the only medications allowed to be kept on a student's person. **Students are not allowed to keep any other prescription or over the counter medication in their backpacks or suitcases.**
4. **Prescription medication must be received by the designated medication person for the trip at the last parent meeting prior to the trip.**
5. Any prescription medication not picked up by the parent on the day the student returns will be discarded. Any remaining medication will not be sent home with the student and will be discarded.

Over the Counter Medication (OTC):

1. Over the counter medications should only be sent if your child has a chronic problem such as migraines, orthopedic issues, etc. OTC medication **will not** be carried to the parks by the designated medication person. If a student requires medication while at the parks, the chaperone will contact the teacher to meet them at the Park's First Aid Center. The Park's nurse will assess the situation and a parent will be notified.
2. **Over the counter medications for this field trip will require a school medication provider/ parent authorization form to be completed by the parent and a physician verifying that it is for a chronic health problem.**
3. **The OTC medication must be received in a new, unopened container in the smallest size possible.** Large "Sam's" size bottles, medications in baggies or envelopes will not be accepted.
4. No vitamins or supplements can be sent.
5. A parent must pick up any remaining medication on the day of return. Any remaining medication will not be sent home with the student and will be discarded if not picked up.

If you have any questions or need to request a copy of a medication form currently on file, please contact our school nurse, Brandi Horn, at brandi.horn@trussvillecityschools.com.