



## Health Services

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Dear Parent or Guardian:

The Walla Walla School District school clinic staff is proud to be part of the team effort that supports student success in our county. We hope this letter will explain some of the things we do and how we can help you and your child have a successful school experience. This parent letter, Immunization Information, the Medication at School Policy 3416, *Authorization for Administration of Medication at School*, and Health Care Plans are available at the schools.

### **IMMUNIZATION CERTIFICATES**

All students entering or attending preschool through 12th grade are required to have a complete Washington Certificate of Immunization Status in accordance with Washington State law (RCW 28A.210.160). All students must be immunized against disease as specified by the Washington Department of Health or have medical or religious exemption on file at school. Please see attached immunization chart.

### **SCHOOL MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION**

Walla Walla Public School's Medication at School Policy 3416 will be followed for all medications given during school hours.

- The parent or legal guardian and health care provider(s) must complete and sign an *Authorization for Administration of Medication at School* form for all medications (prescription and over-the-counter) given at school. Copies of the form are available in most health care provider clinics and can be obtained from your school clinic.
- A parent/legal guardian or other designated adult must bring all medication, accompanied by the *Authorization for Administration of Medication at School*, to the school clinic unless special permission is given by the principal or clinic staff.
- All over-the-counter and prescription medications must be in their original containers with unexpired dates. Prescription medications must be clearly labeled with the physician's name, medication's name, strength, dosage, date, time for administration and dispensing pharmacy. The parent/guardian must provide over-the-counter medications to the clinic.
- If your child has a life-threatening condition (i.e. asthma, diabetes, or allergic reaction), permission may be granted to carry the medication (such as inhaler, glucose tablet, Epi-pen, or internal Insulin pump) on his or her person from the child's physician and parent/guardian on the School Medication Authorization.

### **HEALTH PLANS/SERIOUS HEALTH CONDITIONS**

Parents/guardians of children with life-threatening health conditions must notify the school and complete the required paperwork before your child can start school. If your child has an allergy, asthma, diabetes, seizures or other chronic health condition which may require medication, treatment order or Health Plan, make an appointment with your healthcare provider. Addressing the health condition that may require medical services to be performed at the school assists us in caring for your child during the school day. Forms are available from your school clinic staff. See Washington state law [RCW 28A.210.320](#) regarding life-threatening health conditions.

Please contact your school clinic if you have any questions or concerns. Working together, we can promote the health and well-being of your child and ensure s/he obtain the maximum educational benefit while at school.

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