

BOYERTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOYERTOWN AREA SENIOR HIGH

Safety & Well-Being Acceptance & Respect Communication & Collaboration Learning & Growth

To cultivate an exceptional, innovative learning community that enables all students to succeed in a changing world.

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

The administration of medication to students at school is a closely controlled situation. The first aid treatment of headaches, stomach aches, minor injuries and other common ailments is permitted in accordance with guidelines approved by the school physician. The following standing-orders medications may be administered to BASH students at school with written consent from a parent/guardian: Acetaminophen (Tylenol®), Antacids (TUMS®), Bacitracin, Benadryl, Bismuth Subsalicylate (Pepto-Bismol® or Kaopectate®), Chloraseptic throat spray, Epinephrine* Ibuprofen (Motrin®), Naproxen Sodium (Aleve®), and Visine. (*The PA Public School Code, Section 1414.2 (g), allows parents/guardians to request an exemption to the administration of an epinephrine auto-injector for their student. To obtain an exemption to Epinephrine, in compliance with PA School Code 1212.2 (g), parents/guardians must contact the school nurse and make an appointment to come into BASH to sign the opt-out form.)

Please indicate which medications your child may receive at school when updating your child's 2022-23 Student Emergency Contact information in Infinite Campus when you complete you OLR (On-line Registration). The school nurses are not permitted to administer medication(s) to your child until written authorization from a parent or guardian is on file in Infinite Campus in the OLR. This is the only way to authorize standing order medications for a student at BASH.

If your child needs medication in addition to those listed above, please follow the Boyertown Area School District's medication policy and procedures. Before any medication** (** Medication is any substance used for medicinal purposes including prescription, over the counter, vitamins, and herbal products) can be administered during school hours, parents/guardians **must** do the following:

- 1. Provide a completed Authorization for School Medication Administration to obtain the necessary information and permission from both the prescribing physician and parent. Download the form from the BASD website.
- 2. A parent/guardian or adult designee must HAND DELIVER the medication and completed paperwork to the nurse. Medications must in a labeled prescription container and/or original over-the-counter container. If a parent or guardian cannot deliver the medication, please contact one of the BASH nurses to discuss alternate arrangements.
- 3. Students are permitted to self-carry and administer rescue inhalers, EPIPen, and non-narcotic or psychotropic medications **with written consent** from the prescribing physician, parent/guardian, and the school nurse.

Please contact the BASH Certified School Nurses, Debra Holauchock <u>dholauchock@boyertownasd.org</u> or Dianne Hopple <u>dhopple@boyertownasd.org</u> if you have any questions, need assistance, or to arrange a date and time for medication drop off.

Sincerely,

E. Wayne Foley, Ed.D.

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Principal