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Dear Parent or Guardian;

In order for the school nurse to administer any medication (including topical and over the counter) to your child, the nurse must have **both** a physician's or dentist's **signed written order**, and **a written authorization** from you, prior to the administration of such medication.

Connecticut General Statutes **do not** allow the nurse to accept a verbal or telephone order from either a physician or parent. The medication must also be handed to the nurse by a parent/guardian or responsible adult and must be in a container properly labeled with the name and strength of the medication, the child's name, the physician's name, date of the original prescription, and the directions for administration.

Any administration of medications or products without authorization of your child's physician is in violation of Sec. 10-212a-7 of the Connecticut State Department of Health regulations, as well as the Orange Board of Education's Policy 5141.21.

Please remember that these regulations exist for the safety and protection of your child, and that **no** exceptions can be made.

Sincerely,

Dr. Vince Scarpetti Superintendent of Schools