

MEDICATION POLICY FOR BOARDING STUDENTS

To promote the health and safety of our boarding students, OES requires that students and their parents follow these guidelines concerning medications in the dormitory setting:

- Prescription medication must be checked in with the OES Nurse. Students are not allowed to keep and self administer prescription medications. The OES Nurse and student will develop a plan for daily administration. The OES Nurse and Dorm Staff will implement this plan while monitoring the effectiveness and potential side effects of the medication.
- Medications that do not require a doctor's prescription within the United States are available through either the nurses' office or the dormitory office for minor injury or illness such as headache, diarrhea, stomach upset, allergic response, cough. These medications are dispensed according to directions written by a doctor. Students are not allowed to keep and self administer **any** medication including over the counter medications.
- To prevent harmful medication reactions, **ALL MEDICATIONS BROUGHT TO SCHOOL FROM HOME MUST HAVE INGREDIENTS IDENTIFIED IN ENGLISH. This will include medication name, ingredients and doctor/parent's instructions for use. Medications must be kept in their original container. Medications must be used as directed on the label.** If a student takes any medication(s) from an international source, the nurse or dorm parent **will not** administer to the student unless the above information is supplied.
- Students are not allowed to keep and self administer vitamins, herbal supplements, or nutritional supplements. These will be checked in with the nurse for administration and storage. The nurse and student will develop a plan for daily administration. This plan will be implemented by the nurse or dorm staff.
- Students will be allowed to keep emergency medications for self administration such as asthma inhalers or epinephrine for severe allergies. Students will be allowed to self administer medications for confidential, reproductive health, but must be checked in with the OES Nurse first.
- If a student takes daily medication and will be staying away from OES Dorms, only the correct number of doses will be given to him/her for self administration.

We have read and agree to comply with the above management of medications for the school year. We will ask the nursing staff for assistance if we have any questions concerning medication use. My signature also gives consent for the OES nurse or dorm staff to administer medications or vitamin supplements to my child that have been brought from home.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Student Signature _____ Date _____