

Medication pick up at the end of the school year!



At the end of the school year is the time to start planning when you will pick up your child's medication from your school's nurses office.

- € Medicine must be picked up by a parent/guardian.
- € All medicine and inhalers/nebulizers must be picked up by the end of day, on the last day of school.
- € Any medicines left in the nurse's office at the end of the year are destroyed.
- € The medicine cannot be sent home with the child.

Summer Safety Tips For Home:

- o Make sure that all medicine/vitamins are stored out of reach and out of sight of children.
- o Place purses and bags in high locations, and avoid leaving medicine on a nightstand/dresser where children can find them.
- o Proper dosing is important for young children. Kitchen spoons aren't all the same, and a teaspoon or tablespoon used for cooking won't measure the same amount as the dosing device that is given with the medication.
- o Keep all medicine in their original packages and containers.
- o Don't refer to medicine as candy, it may encourage children to try it on their own.
- o Contact your provider to make medication dose changes.
- o Do not share prescription medication with others.
- o If your child should take medications not prescribed for them, call your doctor immediately or dial 911.

- o Teach your child that medicine labels are rules, not guidelines. Be sure your child knows what taking more medication will not help them get better any faster, but it could harm them.

Have a happy and safe summer!