



WETUMPKA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

# Medication in the Schools



- A School Medication Prescriber/Parent Authorization form must be complete and in place with appropriate school personnel before any medicine will be given.
- A new medication authorization is required at the beginning of each school year and any time there is a change in the med, dose, route, frequency or time.
- The school will not accept any medication without the appropriate forms complete with parent and physician signature.
- A PARENT/GUARDIAN OR DESIGNATED ADULT MUST TRANSPORT ALL MEDICATION TO AND FROM SCHOOL.
- It is recommended that all once-a-day medications are given at home.
- Many three times a day medications can be given at home: once in the morning, after school, and at bedtime.
- The school will only accept **one month** supply of a scheduled medication at a time. This is a safety and security measure.
- State law (ACT NO. 2003-271) passed June 2003 allows a student to carry an asthma inhaler on person only when the Medication Authorization form is complete with physician affirmation of instruction and appropriateness to carry.
- Prescription medication must be in the **original container** with the **original pharmacy label** clearly stating the student's name, doctor's name, the name, strength and dosage of medication and the time administration at school.
- Over-the-counter medication will only be accepted in the original manufacturer **sealed** container, clearly labeled with the student's name without obscuring the manufacturer's instructions.
- The school does not supply **any** medication.
- School Medication Prescriber/Parent Authorization forms are available at each school. Please contact the school nurse if you have questions.