Northwest Christian Schools of Lacey

Medications at School

As mandated by state law, we cannot administer students' prescription or over-the-counter medications (including cough drops and vitamins) unless we have an **Authorization for Medication** form on file in the office. The **Authorization for Medication** form must be completed and signed by a licensed health professional and parent. New Authorization for Medication forms are required each school year. Oral medication, topical medication, eye drops or ear drops and life-saving medications can be administered. Forms are available at the school office or from the student's doctor's office. Medicine must be in its original container, labeled with the student's name, and not expired. Prescription medications must have the student's prescription label attached.

Students are not allowed to carry medication of any kind without preauthorization from the office and administration. All appropriate forms are still required.

Student Illness

If a student shows signs of illness, he/she will be checked by the office attendant. If it is determined that a student needs to leave school, the office will contact the parent/guardian for pick up. Students with a fever over 100 degrees or greater, vomiting, uncontrollable coughing, diarrhea and other symptoms of discomfort should stay at home until he/she is symptom free for 24 hours without the aid of medication.

Reporting an absence: Please call or email the school office to report and absence or tardy.

NCP - ncp.attendance@ncslacey.org

NCA - nca.attendance@ncslacey.org

NCHS - nchs.attendance@ncslacey.org

Student Accident/Injury

Students who became injured while at school will be immediately assessed. A parent/guardian will be notified of the injury and next steps will be determined. If the situation is life-threatening, school staff will call 911. The supervising staff member will write up an Incident Report.

The same process will be followed for head injuries. If it is suspected that a student has/had a concussion, a parent/guardian must submit a form or letter from a physician clearing the student to return to school.

Food Allergies

There are students on campus who have **life-threatening allergies** to nuts, this includes peanuts, tree nuts and all nut butters and oils. Many of these allergies occur not only when the allergen is ingested, but can also be airborne and transmitted from surfaces to skin. We have developed a plan to accommodate food allergies. This includes some non-life threatening allergies including but not limited to dairy, fish, fruit and gluten containing foods. Please refer to your schools Parent/Student Handbook for further information.

The NCS vans and buses are shared campus wide. Due to life-threatening allergies, <u>nut products are not allowed</u>. Please only send foods that do not contain nuts or nut oils for all field trips and athletic meets/games. No foods containing nuts or nut oils may be consumed while riding in the school vehicles.

