## **Hand Middle School**

(2022-2023)

## A Letter from the Health Room

- ALL medications require a permission form to be completed prior to medication taken at school. A <u>new</u> permission form is needed <u>every</u> school year. The forms can be found on the hand website under the "<u>News from the Nurse</u>" tab.
- There are two different medication forms. One form is for <u>Prescription Medications</u>. This form is for the medications that require a doctor prescription for purchase. The form will need to be completed and signed by the doctor and the parent/guardian. A responsible adult should bring the medication to school along with the form. The prescribed medication MUST be in the prescription bottle received from the pharmacy with the prescription label (states student's name, medication name, correct dosage, and frequency).
- The second medication form on the website is for <u>Non-prescription Medications</u> (Tylenol, Ibuprofen, etc.). Non-prescription medications, otherwise known as over the counter medications, require the signature of the parent/guardian. Again, a responsible adult should deliver the medicine and the permission form to the school. The medication MUST be in the original container with the manufacturer's label on it.
- The school does NOT stock ANY medications; therefore, you must supply any medication that is necessary for your student.
- Please do NOT send any medication with your student to be given/taken at school.
- Medications that are controlled substances MUST be counted by the school nurse and the parent/guardian when delivered.
- Please take the time to complete the <u>Confidential Health Questionnaire</u>. This will allow me to update/compose your student's health record.
- Please be advised, the Health Room is considered a healthcare facility; therefore, infection control
  policies and practices are held to healthcare facility standards.
- ALL 7<sup>th</sup> Graders, if you have not submitted an updated immunization record please do so ASAP. Those who do not have an updated immunization certificate on file, can be at risk of missing school days per SC state law.
- Look over the "Staying Home from School when your Child is Sick" under the "News from the Nurse" tab. These are reasons to keep children home from school. If they come to school sick with these conditions, I am required to send them home.
- PLEASE do not hesitate to contact me regarding any health concerns or updates for your student.

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