



## ASTHMA PACKET

Dear parent,

You are receiving this because you have reported that your student has a diagnosis of *asthma*.

We are committed to making sure your student has appropriate care at school, and ask for your help in ensuring we are able to deliver care as the law allows. Please review the enclosed forms and directions below:

### **Asthma Action Plan**

Any child with asthma that requires consistent intervention requires a written plan of care for at school (ORS 339.866). You may submit an *Asthma Action Plan* from your own doctor or complete the *Asthma History* document which will be transferred to an *Asthma Action Plan* for use at school.

### **Medication Administration**

Additional laws in Oregon (ORS 339.870) require permission in writing from the parent for any medication to be administered at school. This must include the name of the medication, the dose, the route the medication is given and how often it should be given. An *Authorization for Medication Administration* must be completed and signed to meet this requirement.

A separate authorization is required for each medication and each student. The *Authorization for Medication Administration* must match the prescription label exactly. Any differences from the prescription label require a doctor's note, an *Asthma Action Plan* signed by your doctor can be used as a doctor's note.

If you prefer the RN to obtain orders from the physician, the parents may sign an *Authorization to Use and/or Disclose Educational and Protected Health Information* and the RN will obtain orders directly from the provider. Parents may also have their provider fax *Provider's Orders for Asthma* to the RN directly at the fax number listed below.

### **Self-Medication**

Students who are capable of administering their own inhaler per the doctor's direction, may do so at school with a completed *Self-Medication Agreement* as is consistent with Oregon Revised Statutes (339.866). These must be signed by all required parties. Self-Medication may be rescinded if medications are used inappropriately. The *Self-Medication Agreement* must be signed in addition to the *Authorization for Medication Administration*. Students who self-manage do not require an *Asthma Action Plan* for school use, but must be aware of the plan their own provider prescribed.

### **Medications**

Inhalers and spacers must be brought to school by parents with intact label from the prescribing provider. Students requiring nebulizers will require written medical orders from their physician. Nebulizers must be furnished by parents as well.

Thank you!