



HEALTH FORMS / MEDICATIONS

Dear parents/guardians of St. Raphael School students,

All kindergartners (even former SRNS students) and **new students** are required by the Archdiocese of Washington and the state of Maryland to have the Immunization **Policy Acknowledgement (Form 3)** on file prior to the start of school. **A physical examination** by a physician or certified nurse practitioner must be completed no more than **nine months** before enrollment. Students without these forms on file will not be permitted to start school.

If you would like your child to receive any medications at school (even over-the-counter medications such as Tylenol, Ibuprofen, or cough drops), the **Student Medication Authorization form (Form 8)** must be completed every school year by a parent/guardian AND a health care provider. **A separate form is required for each medication.** Any medication that can be given at home should be given at home.

If your child has allergies that may require the use of an EpiPen while at school, the **Allergy Agreement and Action Plan (Form 6)** must be completed. In addition, you must complete the **Family Food Allergy Health History** form. If your child has asthma and may require an inhaler at school, the **Inhaled Medication Authorization Form (Form 9)** must be completed. All forms are available on the school's website (www.straphaelschoolmd.org > Campus Life > Parent Resources > Start of School Year). Medications will not be administered during school hours unless these forms are completed and signed by a health care provider and a parent/guardian. Students are not permitted to carry medications unless authorized by your health care provider and the school nurse.

Medications and forms must be brought to school prior to the start of school. Over-the-counter medications must be in the original sealed package and labeled with your child's name. Prescription medications must be brought to school in the original package with pharmacy label. I will be available August 16-19 to review your child's allergies, medications, or other health concerns you may have. If these dates are not convenient, contact me at jkettl@straphaels.org to arrange another time. For the safety of your child, it is required that all forms and medications be turned in prior to the start of school so the school nurse and staff working with your child are aware of any health concerns that may impact your child's school day. The information on these forms will be available only to those health and educational personnel who have a legitimate educational interest in your child.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

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