

June 2021

Dear CCA Parent/Guardian:

During the school year, some students may experience respiratory symptoms (reactive airway) or asthmatic exacerbations requiring prescribed inhalers. Each student requiring an inhaled medication at school must submit the completed form listed below along with the student's prescribed inhaler to the school nurse **prior to (or on) the first day of school****.

REQUIRED FORMS:

- The *Massachusetts Asthma Action Plan* or a facsimile provided by your physician's office needs to be filled out by and signed by the student's physician <u>and</u> parents. Please read and sign <u>both</u> sides of this form. The backside (or 2nd page) offers space for signed parental consent both for nurse administration and self administration of your student's inhaler. *Mass Asthma Action Plan form provided on CCA website or available on request from school nurse*.
- An **updated physical exam** dated within the last 12 months must also be on file at the school for all students with asthma.

MEDICATION:

• Inhalers must be delivered to school by a parent must be unexpired and in its <u>original, pharmacy</u> <u>container/packaging labeled with your child's name.</u> If your student has an aero chamber (spacer) prescribed as well, please provide one to the school.

Historically, parents of students with asthma meet with the school nurse at the beginning of the school year. It is still uncertain if this meeting will be done in person, over the phone, or via Zoom for the 2021-2022 school year. Parents will be notified accordingly.

We thank you for your careful attention to this matter, and look forward to working with you and your child(ren) this year. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Blessings,

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** In an effort to provide for the safety and well being of all our students, CCA administration reserves the right to restrict school attendance if required medical paperwork and necessary medications are not submitted according to established deadline dates.