

June 2020

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 FORM:

• 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.*

MEDICATION:

• Inhalers must be delivered to school by a parent must be unexpired and in its <u>original</u>, <u>pharmacy 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 newly enrolled students with asthma meet with the nurse at the beginning of the school year. In light of the Covid-19 pandemic it is uncertain, at this time, if this practice will remain in place for the 2020-2021 school year. Forthcoming local, state and federal advisories for school health administration will inform and direct our approach. Parents will be appropriately updated.

We thank you for your careful attention to these matters 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 us. God bless your family!

Warmly,

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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 not allow school attendance if required medical paperwork and necessary medications are not submitted according to established deadline dates.