

**Annual Consent for Administration of Discretionary Medications
And Health Contact Information**

Dear Parent or Guardian:

On the reverse side of this letter is a form that provides the school nurse with updated health information on your child, a list of persons to be contacted in the case of an illness or injury and a section to indicate your consent for the administration of certain nonprescription medications which are available, at no charge, for all students. **This form must be filled out each school year.**

The nonprescription medication program (called Discretionary Medications) is designed to alleviate minor discomforts and to prevent unnecessary early dismissals from school. These medications are approved by the Chief of School Health Services, Baltimore County Department of Health, and the Coordinator, Office of Health Services, Baltimore County Public Schools.

Your consent must be obtained before any medication is given to your child. Only the Registered Nurse/School Nurse may administer these medications in accordance with established protocols. The consent form lists the medications which may be available. Please complete the consent form, and return it to the school nurse.

Approved discretionary medications are intended for occasional use only. If your child requires any prescription or nonprescription medication on a regular basis, you must obtain a written order from your health care provider and supply the medications.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact your school nurse.

Sincerely,

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