ASTHMA FORMS

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The state law requires that any child using an inhaler must have an “Asthma Treatment Plan” and a “Self-Medication Form” on file at school. In order for us to provide the best care for your child, please complete the attached forms and return them to the school nurse prior to the start of school.

Please note that the first page contains instructions and a part for the parent to sign. The second page is the “Asthma Treatment Plan” which is to be completed and signed by the doctor. The third page is the “Self-Administration Form” which is also to be completed and signed by the doctor. The fourth page is the “Medication Contract” which is to be completed and signed by both the parent and the student.

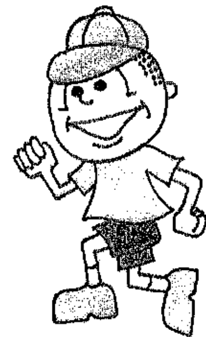
Please be sure that your child carries their inhaler with them either in their backpack or in their pocket. It is especially important to have the inhaler when they have PE. We would be happy to keep a spare inhaler (properly labeled with the child’s name and dosage) in the medicine cabinet in our office.

Please notify us if there are any changes during the year. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at the appropriate school. The telephone number for the Elementary School is 201-445-6150; the Middle School is 201-891-3663; and the High School is 973-427-0900.

Thank you,

ECSA School Nurses

Asthma Treatment Plan – Student
Parent Instructions



The **PACNJ Asthma Treatment Plan** is designed to help everyone understand the steps necessary for the individual student to achieve the goal of controlled asthma.

1. **Parents/Guardians:** *Before taking this form to your Health Care Provider,* complete the top left section with:
   - Child's name
   - Child's date of birth
   - Child's doctor's name & phone number
   - An Emergency Contact person's name & phone number
   - Parent/Guardian's name & phone number

2. **Your Health Care Provider will** complete the following areas:
   - The effective date of this plan
   - The medicine information for the Healthy, Caution and Emergency sections
   - Your Health Care Provider will check the box next to the medication and check how much and how often to take it
   - Your Health Care Provider may check **"OTHER"** and:
     - ❖ **Write in asthma medications not listed on the form**
     - ❖ **Write in additional medications that will control your asthma**
     - ❖ **Write in generic medications in place of the name brand on the form**
   - Together you and your Health Care Provider will decide what asthma treatment is best for your child to follow

3. **Parents/Guardians & Health Care Providers together** will discuss and then complete the following areas:
   - Child's peak flow range in the Healthy, Caution and Emergency sections on the left side of the form
   - Child's asthma triggers on the right side of the form
   - Permission to Self-administer Medication section at the bottom of the form: Discuss your child's ability to self-administer the inhaled medications, check the appropriate box, and then both you and your Health Care Provider must sign and date the form

4. **Parents/Guardians:** *After completing the form with your Health Care Provider:*
   - Make copies of the Asthma Treatment Plan and give the signed original to your child's school nurse or child care provider
   - Keep a copy easily available at home to help manage your child's asthma
   - Give copies of the Asthma Treatment Plan to everyone who provides care for your child, for example: babysitters, before/after school program staff, coaches, scout leaders

PARENT AUTHORIZATION

I hereby give permission for my child to receive medication at school as prescribed in the Asthma Treatment Plan. Medication must be provided in its original prescription container properly labeled by a pharmacist or physician. I also give permission for the release and exchange of information between the school nurse and my child's health care provider concerning my child's health and medications. In addition, I understand that this information will be shared with school staff on a need to know basis.

Parent/Guardian Signature ______________ Phone ______________ Date ______________

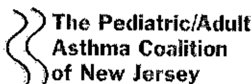
FILL OUT THE SECTION BELOW ONLY IF YOUR HEALTH CARE PROVIDER CHECKED PERMISSION FOR YOUR CHILD TO SELF-ADMINISTER ASTHMA MEDICATION ON THE FRONT OF THIS FORM.

RECOMMENDATIONS ARE EFFECTIVE FOR ONE (1) SCHOOL YEAR ONLY AND MUST BE RENEWED ANNUALLY

☐ I do request that my child be **ALLOWED** to carry the following medication ______________ for self-administration in school pursuant to N.J.A.C:.6A:16-2.3. I give permission for my child to self-administer medication, as prescribed in this Asthma Treatment Plan for the current school year as I consider him/her to be responsible and capable of transporting, storing and self-administration of the medication. Medication must be kept in its original prescription container. I understand that the school district, agents and its employees shall incur no liability as a result of any condition or injury arising from the self-administration by the student of the medication prescribed on this form. I indemnify and hold harmless the School District, its agents and employees against any claims arising out of self-administration or lack of administration of this medication by the student.

☐ I **DO NOT** request that my child self-administer his/her asthma medication.

Parent/Guardian Signature ______________ Phone ______________ Date ______________



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Asthma Treatment Plan – Student

(This asthma action plan meets NJ Law N.J.S.A. 18A:40-12.8) **(Physician's Orders)**

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(Please Print)

Name		Date of Birth	Effective Date
Doctor	Parent/Guardian (if applicable)	Emergency Contact	
Phone	Phone	Phone	

HEALTHY (Green Zone)

Take daily control medicine(s). Some inhalers may be more effective with a "spacer" – use if directed.

You have *all* of these:

- Breathing is good
- No cough or wheeze
- Sleep through the night
- Can work, exercise, and play

And/or Peak flow above ________

MEDICINE	HOW MUCH to take and HOW OFTEN to take it
☐ Advair® HFA ☐ 45, ☐ 115, ☐ 230	2 puffs twice a day
☐ Aerospan™	☐ 1, ☐ 2 puffs twice a day
☐ Alvesco® ☐ 80, ☐ 160	☐ 1, ☐ 2 puffs twice a day
☐ Dulera® ☐ 100, ☐ 200	2 puffs twice a day
☐ Flovent® ☐ 44, ☐ 110, ☐ 220	2 puffs twice a day
☐ Qvar® ☐ 40, ☐ 80	☐ 1, ☐ 2 puffs twice a day
☐ Symbicort® ☐ 80, ☐ 160	☐ 1, ☐ 2 puffs twice a day
☐ Advair Diskus® ☐ 100, ☐ 250, ☐ 500	1 inhalation twice a day
☐ Asmanex® Twisthaler® ☐ 110, ☐ 220	☐ 1, ☐ 2 inhalations ☐ once or ☐ twice a day
☐ Flovent® Diskus® ☐ 50 ☐ 100 ☐ 250	1 inhalation twice a day
☐ Pulmicort Flexhaler® ☐ 90, ☐ 180	☐ 1, ☐ 2 inhalations ☐ once or ☐ twice a day
☐ Pulmicort Respules® (Budesonide) ☐ 0.25, ☐ 0.5, ☐ 1.0	1 unit nebulized ☐ once or ☐ twice a day
☐ Singulair® (Montelukast) ☐ 4, ☐ 5, ☐ 10 mg	1 tablet daily
☐ Other	
☐ None	

Remember to rinse your mouth after taking inhaled medicine.

If exercise triggers your asthma, take____________ ____ puff(s) ____minutes before exercise.

CAUTION (Yellow Zone)

Continue daily control medicine(s) and ADD quick-relief medicine(s).

You have *any* of these:

- Cough
- Mild wheeze
- Tight chest
- Coughing at night
- Other:__________

If quick-relief medicine does not help within 15-20 minutes or has been used more than 2 times and symptoms persist, call your doctor or go to the emergency room.

And/or Peak flow from______ to______

MEDICINE	HOW MUCH to take and HOW OFTEN to take it
☐ Albuterol MDI (Pro-air® or Proventil® or Ventolin®)	2 puffs every 4 hours as needed
☐ Xopenex®	2 puffs every 4 hours as needed
☐ Albuterol ☐ 1.25, ☐ 2.5 mg	1 unit nebulized every 4 hours as needed
☐ Duoneb®	1 unit nebulized every 4 hours as needed
☐ Xopenex® (Levalbuterol) ☐ 0.31, ☐ 0.63, ☐ 1.25 mg	1 unit nebulized every 4 hours as needed
☐ Combivent Respimat®	1 inhalation 4 times a day
☐ Increase the dose of, or add:	
☐ Other	

- **If quick-relief medicine is needed more than 2 times a week, except before exercise, then call your doctor.**

EMERGENCY (Red Zone)

Take these medicines NOW and CALL 911.
Asthma can be a life-threatening illness. Do not wait!

Your asthma is getting worse fast:

- Quick-relief medicine did not help within 15-20 minutes
- Breathing is hard or fast
- Nose opens wide • Ribs show
- Trouble walking and talking
- Lips blue • Fingernails blue
- Other:__________

And/or Peak flow below ________

MEDICINE	HOW MUCH to take and HOW OFTEN to take it
☐ Albuterol MDI (Pro-air® or Proventil® or Ventolin®)	4 puffs every 20 minutes
☐ Xopenex®	4 puffs every 20 minutes
☐ Albuterol ☐ 1.25, ☐ 2.5 mg	1 unit nebulized every 20 minutes
☐ Duoneb®	1 unit nebulized every 20 minutes
☐ Xopenex® (Levalbuterol) ☐ 0.31, ☐ 0.63, ☐ 1.25 mg	1 unit nebulized every 20 minutes
☐ Combivent Respimat®	1 inhalation 4 times a day
☐ Other	

Triggers

Check all items that trigger patient's asthma:

- ❑ Colds/flu
- ❑ Exercise
- ❑ Allergens
  - ○ Dust Mites, dust, stuffed animals, carpet
  - ○ Pollen - trees, grass, weeds
  - ○ Mold
  - ○ Pets - animal dander
  - ○ Pests - rodents, cockroaches
- ❑ Odors (Irritants)
  - ○ Cigarette smoke & second hand smoke
  - ○ Perfumes, cleaning products, scented products
  - ○ Smoke from burning wood, inside or outside
- ❑ Weather
  - ○ Sudden temperature change
  - ○ Extreme weather - hot and cold
  - ○ Ozone alert days
- ❑ Foods:
  - ○ __________
  - ○ __________
  - ○ __________
- ❑ Other:
  - ○ __________
  - ○ __________
  - ○ __________

This asthma treatment plan is meant to assist, not replace, the clinical decision-making required to meet individual patient needs.

Disclaimers: [illegible]

[illegible]

Permission to Self-administer Medication:

☐ This student is capable and has been instructed in the proper method of self-administering of the non-nebulized inhaled medications named above in accordance with NJ Law.

☐ This student is not approved to self-medicate.

PHYSICIAN/APN/PA SIGNATURE____________________ DATE________

Physician's Orders

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE____________________

PHYSICIAN STAMP

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Make a copy for parent and for physician file, send original to school nurse or child care provider.

SELF-ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION IN SCHOOL

Request for Self-Administration of Prescription Medication

To be completed by Physician (please print)

NAME OF STUDENT:___________________________________ GRADE:______________

DIAGNOSIS:____

MEDICATION:____

DOSAGE:_________________________ FREQUENCY:______________________________

DIRECTIONS:____

POSSIBLE SIDE EFFECTS:____

OTHER MEDICATIONS USED AT HOME:____

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I certify that this student has asthma or another potentially life-threatening illness and is permitted to self-administer the above medication. He/she has been instructed in the proper techniques of self-administration and has demonstrated competence in this technique.

Conditions under which self-administration will take place:

_____Under Supervision of School Nurse (or designated personnel)

_____Independently (**child has been trained)**

Medication should be:

_____Stored in Nurse's office _____ In possession of student

____ ____________________________

Physician's Name (print) Date

____ ____________________________

Physician's Signature Phone

********Other side must be filled out and signed by student and parent********

MEDICATION CONTRACT

Date_______________

Student Name____ Grade______________

Medication____

I understand that I will use this medication as directed by my physician. I will be responsible and discreet in using this medication and should have this medication **readily available**.

I have been instructed how to self-administer this medication and understand the side effects of improper use. This medication must be carried in the original labeled pharmacy container.

I will not share this medication with anyone else.

I understand that if I do not abide by these regulations, I may forfeit my right to carry and self-administer this medication.

____ ______________________

Student's Signature *Date*

To be completed by parent:

I give permission for my child to self-administer the medication described above. I will notify the school nurse if this medication is no longer required or if the physician no longer directs self-administration. The medication is to be provided by me in the original, labeled container. To my knowledge, my child is not allergic to this medication. I hereby release Eastern Christian School Association and its employees from any liability for injuries or other damages which may result to the student from administration of this medication. Eastern Christian is released from any liability should the student share this medication with another student.

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Parent's/Guardian's Signature *Date*