

District School Board of Pasco County

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Heather Fiorentino, Superintendent

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

As this school year comes to a close this is a reminder that, according to District School Board of Pasco County Policy 5335, students who receive medication or perform medical procedures (such as blood-glucose testing, urine ketone testing, insulin administration and treatment of hypoglycemia and hyperglycemia) at school shall provide **annual** parental and healthcare provider authorization for the administration of medications and treatments.

If your child plans to carry his/her own diabetes supplies and/or perform any of the above medical procedures independently and without supervision during the next school year:

- Please return the enclosed "Authorization to Carry Diabetes Equipment and Self Administer Diabetes Medication/Procedure" form signed by physician, parent and student *on or before the first day of school*, August 22, 2011.
- Please make sure your child carries all necessary supplies glucometer with extra battery, ketostix, some form of carbohydrate (small juice boxes, glucose tablets, sugar packets, or a tube of glucose gel or cake icing); some form of protein snack (peanut butter crackers, cheese crackers or granola bars); and a water bottle.

If your child may/will <u>require supervision</u> with diabetes management, including medication and procedures at any time during the next school year:

- Please return the enclosed "District School Board of Pasco County Diabetes Medical Management Plan" completed and signed by physician and parent *on or before the first day of school*, August 20, 2012.
- Please provide the school clinic with all necessary supplies glucometer with extra battery, ketostix, some form of carbohydrate (small juice boxes, glucose tablets, sugar packets, or a tube of glucose gel or cake icing); some form of protein snack (peanut butter crackers, cheese crackers or granola bars); and a water bottle.
- If your child requires administration of insulin or glucagon during the school day, you must also complete & return the enclosed "Authorization for Medication Administration" *on or before the first day of school*, August 20, 2012. Remember that medication must be brought to school by the parent / guardian (i.e. insulin, glucagon).

Please feel free to call me if you have any questions or would like to discuss your child's health status or diabetes management plan.

I wish you and your child a safe, healthy and restful summer.

Sincerely,

Donna M. Johnson, RN, MSN, NCSN

Pasco County School Nurse