

**Gaston County Schools Nursing Program**  
**Health Plan for Student with Asthma**  
*Parent Responsibilities*

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
School: \_\_\_\_\_

According to Session Law 2005-22, House Bill 496, chapter 115c, article 26a-375.2, Parents/guardian responsibilities include providing:

- 1) Written authorization for the student to possess and self-administer asthma medication. A statement from the student's health care practitioner verifying that the student has asthma and that the health care practitioner prescribed medication for use on school property during the school day, at school sponsored activities, or while in transit to or from school or school sponsored events.
- 2) A written statement from the student's health care provider who prescribed the asthma medication that the student understands, has been instructed in self-administration of the asthma medication and has demonstrated the skill level necessary to use the asthma medication and any device that is necessary to administer the asthma medication
- 3) A written treatment plan and written emergency protocol formulated by the health care practitioner who prescribed the medicine for managing the student's asthma and medication use by the student.
- 4) Backup asthma medication that shall be kept at the student's school in a location to which the student has immediate access in the event of an asthma emergency.

The parent/guardian will provide the Health Plan to the supervising adult if the student is participating in an extracurricular activity where the parent will not be present to give care. If the supervising adult needs further training in asthma care, the parent will contact the school nurse. The Health Plan will also be provided to the bus driver and other adults involved in the care or education of the student.

If a student uses asthma medication prescribed for the student in a manner other than as prescribed, a school may impose on the student disciplinary action according to the school's disciplinary policy. A school may not impose disciplinary action that limits or restricts the student's immediate access to the asthma medication.

Gaston County Schools and its employees and agents are not liable for an injury arising from a student's possession and self-administration of asthma medication.

I hereby give permission for school personnel to contact my child's physician and exchange information regarding my child's health needs.

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_