## SELF-ADMINISTRATION OF EMERGENCY MEDICATION

To the parent / guardian of \_\_\_\_\_

Date

We have received the required medication authorization for your child to use an emergency medication at school this year. (As you know, asthma and allergy triggers in a school environment are more varied and less controlled than at home.)

## In order to carry the emergency medication at school, your child must adhere to the following rules:

- Your child <u>MUST</u> always carry the medication in a pocket, binder, or purse, where others cannot see it.
- Your child <u>MUST</u> always use the medication correctly and as prescribed.
- Your child <u>MUST</u> be able to use the medication correctly and responsibly, without supervision.
- Your child <u>MUST</u> always be sure the medication is filled and not outdated.
- Your child <u>MUST</u> always carry written permission form # 24-J to carry and self-administer the medication during the school day.
- Your child <u>MUST</u> inform the teacher, nurse, or principal if he or she has a need to use the medication. An adult <u>MUST</u> be aware that your child needs medication, and must be present when injections are given.
- Your child <u>MUST</u> call for the nurse or principal if using the medication does not relieve symptoms in 5-10 minutes, or if the symptoms worsen.
- Your child <u>MUST NOT</u> allow others to ever use the medication, even if they are ill enough to need it. Anyone having difficulty breathing should go immediately to the nurse or principal.
- Your child <u>MUST NOT</u> allow others to use the medication at any time, even if offered money. A student who has sold or exchanged medication with another person may be disciplined according to the District 61 Discipline Policy.

We offer to continue our past practice of securing your child's medication in the health office area, assuring immediate access whenever needed, recording your child's use of the medication, and monitoring your child in order to respond if symptoms worsen.

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This District and its employees and agents will not incur liability, except for willful and wanton conduct, as a result of any injury arising from the self-administration of medication during the school day by the pupil. I agree to indemnify this District and its employees and agents against any claims, except a claim based on willful or wanton conduct, arising out of the self-administration of medication by the pupil. Permission for self-administration of the inhaled medication is effective for the current school year.

My child <u>may carry emergency</u> <u>medication</u> during the school day.