



Dear Parent,

You have indicated that your child has **asthma**. In order for us to best care for him/her during school hours, we ask that you please fill out and return the attached **Asthma History Form** and sign the **Asthma Emergency Action Plan (AEAP)**. If you would like to keep an inhaler or other medication at school to be used in the event of emergency, please have a physician complete and sign the medication portion of the AEAP, and return it to your school health office with the corresponding pharmacy-labeled medication. Please note that a new medication order/ AEAP must be obtained every new school year.

Please feel free to contact one of the district nurses or your school health assistant, with any school health questions or concerns you may have.

Thank you,

Newhall School District Nurses

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Newhall School District
Asthma Emergency Action Plan

Teacher: _____ Grade: _____

Student Name: _____ D.O.B: ____/____/____

Asthma Triggers: _____

SIGNS/ SYMPTOMS OF AN ASTHMA EPISODE MAY INCLUDE ANY/ALL OF THESE:

- **CHANGES IN BREATHING:** coughing, wheezing, breathing through mouth, shortness of breath
- **VERBAL REPORTS:** chest tightness, chest pain, cannot catch breath, dry mouth, "neck feels funny", not feeling well, speaking quietly
- **APPEARS:** anxious, sweating, nauseous, fatigued, stands with shoulders hunched over and cannot straighten up easily



Treatment:

- Stop activity immediately
- Sit student upright; do not let child lie down.
- Stay calm, speak reassuringly, do not leave student alone.
- Use quick relief medication as indicated below.
- Give water- not cold
- Notify parent and district nurse
- If there is no improvement after 15 minutes of medication administration, call 911.

SIGNS OF AN ASTHMA EMERGENCY:

- Failure of medication to reduce worsening symptoms, with no improvement 15 – 20 minutes after initial treatment.
- Breathing with chest and/or neck pulled in, sits hunched over, nose opens wide when inhaling.
- Difficulty walking and talking.
- Blue-gray discoloration of lips and/or fingernails.
- Respirations greater than 30/minute.
- Pulse greater than 120/minute.

➡ **CALL 911!** ←

Medication Order:

Name of Medication #1: _____ Dose: _____ Every ____ hrs PRN

Other Instructions: _____

Possible Side Effects: _____

Name of Medication #2: _____ Dose: _____ Every ____ hrs PRN

Other Instructions: _____

Possible Side Effects: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature Date

Physician Signature Date

Parent/Guardian Emergency Contact Number

Print /Stamp Physician Name

School Nurse Signature Date

Physician Phone Number

NEWHALL SCHOOL DISTRICT

ASTHMA HISTORY FORM

Student Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Today's Date: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work: _____ Cell: _____

Healthcare Provider: _____ Phone: _____

When was this student's asthma first diagnosed? _____

How many times has this student been seen in the emergency room for asthma in the past year? _____

How many times has this student been hospitalized for asthma in the past year? _____

What triggers this student's asthma?

exercise respiratory infection strong odors or fumes

carpets indoor dust outdoor dust

chalk dust temperature changes molds

wood smoke pollen stress

animals (specify): _____

foods (specify): _____

other: _____

What does this student do at home to relieve asthma symptoms? (check all that apply)

breathing exercises rest/relaxation drinks liquids

takes medications (see next page)

other (please describe): _____

NEWHALL SCHOOL DISTRICT

ASTHMA HISTORY FORM

What medications does this student take for asthma (every day and as needed):

Medication Name	Amount	Delivery Method (nebulizer, inhaler, etc)	How Often
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Does this student use any of the following aids for managing asthma?

peak flow meter (personal best if known _____)

aero chamber spacer aero chamber w/mask nebulizer

other: _____

Has this student had asthma education? yes no

Would you like information about asthma education for: student self

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Nurse Signature: _____ Date: _____