

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The Olentangy Licensed School Nurses would like to alert you to some changes to the Asthma Action Plan form. The new form from the American Lung Association combines an asthma action plan and medication orders for school onto one form.

The form, which begins on Page 2 of this pdf. (scroll down), also includes a place to check if you and your doctor approve your child to self-carry and self-administer a quick-relief inhaler. We will no longer be using the Authorization for Student Possession and Use of an Asthma Inhaler.

Please do not hesitate to email the school nurse if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you!

Asthma Action Plan for Home and School



Name _____ DOB ____/____/____

Severity Classification Intermittent Mild Persistent Moderate Persistent Severe Persistent

Asthma Triggers (list) _____

Peak Flow Meter Personal Best _____

Green Zone: Doing Well

Symptoms: Breathing is good – No cough or wheeze – Can work and play – Sleeps well at night

Peak Flow Meter _____ (more than 80% of personal best)

Control Medicine(s)	Medicine	How much to take	When and how often to take it	Take at
	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Home <input type="checkbox"/> School
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Physical Activity Use albuterol/levalbuterol ____ puffs, 15 minutes before activity with all activity when the child feels he/she needs it

Yellow Zone: Caution

Symptoms: Some problems breathing – Cough, wheeze, or chest tight – Problems working or playing – Wake at night

Peak Flow Meter _____ to _____ (between 50% and 79% of personal best)

Quick-relief Medicine(s) Albuterol/levalbuterol ____ puffs, every 4 hours as needed

Control Medicine(s) Continue Green Zone medicines

Add _____ Change to _____

The child should feel better within 20–60 minutes of the quick-relief treatment. If the child is getting worse or is in the Yellow Zone for more than 24 hours, THEN follow the instructions in the RED ZONE and call the doctor right away!

Red Zone: Get Help Now!

Symptoms: Lots of problems breathing – Cannot work or play – Getting worse instead of better – Medicine is not helping

Peak Flow Meter _____ (less than 50% of personal best)

Take Quick-relief Medicine NOW! Albuterol/levalbuterol ____ puffs, _____ (how frequently)

Call 911 immediately if the following danger signs are present

- Trouble walking/talking due to shortness of breath
- Lips or fingernails are blue
- Still in the red zone after 15 minutes

School Staff: Follow the Yellow and Red Zone instructions for the quick-relief medicines according to asthma symptoms.

The only control medicines to be administered in the school are those listed in the Green Zone with a check mark next to “Take at School”.

Both the Healthcare Provider and the Parent/Guardian feel that the child has demonstrated the skills to carry and self-administer their quick-relief inhaler, including when to tell an adult if symptoms do not improve after taking the medicine.

Healthcare Provider

Name _____ Date _____ Phone (____) ____-____ Signature _____

Parent/Guardian

I give permission for the medicines listed in the action plan to be administered in school by the nurse or other school staff as appropriate.

I consent to communication between the prescribing health care provider or clinic, the school nurse, the school medical advisor and school-based health clinic providers necessary for asthma management and administration of this medicine.

Name _____ Date _____ Phone (____) ____-____ Signature _____