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Use of Approved Medication on BHS Campus - Reminder

Parents/Guardians,

Safeguarding the health and welfare of our student athletes is a top priority of all Bearden High School Athletics coaching, administrative, and health care staff. We hope that in issuing the following reminder that you can help us in our mission to ensure a safe environment for all.

Please be reminded of the [KCS Medication Policy](#) which applies to all BHS students and student athletes and all medications. **Under no circumstances** should your student be directly provided with medication to take to school without the relevant form on file with our school nurse. Please review the policy in its entirety to ensure you are in compliance with the requirements and are helping us keep the usage of medications on campus regulated safely.

We also ask that you as parents/guardians help us promote a positive safety culture in educating your student athlete(s) regarding the potential harms of sharing medication approved for no one other than themselves. This includes the dangers of sharing as well as the dangers of accepting shared medications. Our kids are not pharmacists/physicians and should not act as such. This behavior could lead to unanticipated harm in those with allergies and other pre-existing conditions which are negatively affected by the use of certain medications. In addition, students found to possess unauthorized medications on campus may be subject to disciplinary action per county regulations.

If you have any questions specific to the safe incorporation of medications for your child, please refer to the guidance of your family physician, the school nurse, and/or the BHS athletic trainer to help manage your student athlete's medication needs. If your student athlete requires the regular use of a medication on campus, please contact Nurse Rice.

We are committed to promoting compliance in all areas of student athlete safety and hope you will help us meet this goal.

Sincerely,

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