From the Walton Nurse:

Welcome back Walton students and parents!

Here are a few reminders of the Cobb County policies for the clinic that will ensure that this is a safe and healthy school year for our students:

Parents and students, please remember to use proper procedure when a student becomes ill, or needs medication at school. If a student is ill at school, he/she must obtain a pass and visit the clinic. The school nurse will assess the student and contact parents as needed. If a student needs a **one-time** dose of medicine while at school, the parent may bring the medication to school, sign in at the front desk and go to PPO to have student notified to meet parent in PPO to take the medication. If the nurse is to give the medication, please bring it to the clinic and sign an authorization form. These procedures are in place for the students' health and safety, as well as convenience for the parents. It also helps the nurse keep information and statistics about health trends in our school. Cell phone use (including text messages) is prohibited during the school day, per Cobb County/Walton High School policy.

Prescription medication is NOT to be carried by students at any time. The only **exceptions** are **diabetic**, **asthma**, or **emergency epi-pen medications**, which need "**Authorization to Carry**" forms. If your child needs **prescription** medicine during the school day, <u>a parent</u> **must bring the medicine**, in the original pharmacy labeled container, to the clinic. Proper authorization forms must be filled out by the parent. Parent volunteers and student aides may NOT accept or deliver any medication to students at school.

**Over-the counter medicine (OTC)**, for example: Ibuprofen, Tylenol, & cough drops **may be carried by high school students without an authorization form**. \*The clinic does not keep a supply of OTC medications. The OTC medicine carried by a student must be in the **original container**. **DO NOT bring OTC medicine in a zip lock bag**. This should be a small personal supply of medicine, and may not be shared with other students. Parents and students are responsible for knowing the proper dosage and use of these medicines. If the parent prefers, they may bring these OTC medicines to the clinic, and the nurse will dispense the medicine, with the proper forms completed. Medication will not be dispensed in the clinic unless medication is supplied by the parent.

Please don't hesitate to call, email or come by the clinic if you have any questions!

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