Back to School Asthma Checklist

Better asthma management means fewer missed school days because of asthma!



About 1 in 10 children in the U.S. has asthma (CDC)



ASTHMA ACTION PLAN

- * Have an up-to-date asthma action plan
- * An asthma action plan will guide you in managing your child's asthma



MEDICATION

* If your child carries their own medications, make sure that they take them to school

* Have your doctor complete a

Medication Administration Form (MAF) for school

Inhalers:

- Should not be expired or empty
- Should be used as prescribed <u>with</u> a spacer



REDUCE EXPOSURE TO GERMS

- * Wash hands with soap
- * Provide hand sanitizer



* Make sure your child knows they should tell the teacher if they don't feel well

* Give copies of the asthma action plan to your child's teachers, coaches and school nurse

GET VACCINATED

* Make sure you and your children receive the flu and Covid vaccines. There may be changes to the flu virus so it is important to be vaccinated every year!

KNOW WHAT MAKES YOUR ASTHMA WORSE

Triggers can be:

- * Mold/Dust
- * Cleaning products
- * Cigarette smoke
- * Certain kinds of exercise
 - * Food allergies
 - * Stress and/or anxiety

Talk to your healthcare provider <u>to</u> learn more about your triggers.

Talk to your provider if you have any questions or concerns







