

Dear Parent,

There is a great need for all school staff to have a basic understanding of diabetes. This need is particularly relevant in elementary schools, where younger, less experienced children often need help with routine diabetes care tasks and whose needs cannot always wait in the event the school nurse is unavailable.

For the past several years, the American Diabetes Association (ADA) has promoted its "Safe at School" campaign to train non-medical staff in school buildings on diabetes basic and emergency care. These trained staff members are called Trained Diabetes Personnel (TDP) and have been trained by a school nurse.

During the week of _____, the trained diabetes personnel (TDP) in your child's building will be given an opportunity to assist your child with a routine diabetes care task (check blood sugar, give insulin). This assistance will take place in the school nurse's office and will be under the direct guidance and supervision of a nurse. This segment of the training program enhances the learning of the TDP and provides them with an opportunity to assist a student with diabetes in a controlled, safe environment. Please take a moment to complete the bottom portion of this sheet and return to your school nurse.

Thank You for your support of our training program!

Please select choice:

___ I give my permission for the school's TDP to assist my child one time with a diabetes care task sometime during the week of _____. I understand this assistance will take place in the presence of the school nurse

___ I do not give permission for the school's TDP to assist my child with a diabetes care task

Parent name: _____ Date: _____

Parent signature: _____

Student's name: _____

School name: _____