
MEDICATION AT SCHOOL

General Statement

Under normal circumstances, ~~prescription and non-prescription, and~~ over the counter medication (OTC), should be ~~dispensed~~ administered before and/or after school hours under supervision of the parent or guardian. If a student must receive prescribed or over-the-counter oral or topical medication, eye drops, ear drops, or nasal spray (“medications”) from an authorized staff member, the parent must submit a written ~~authorization request~~ request-~~authorization~~ authorization from a licensed health~~care practitioner (LHP) professional,~~ professional, prescribing within the scope of his or her prescriptive authority. ~~If the medication will be administered for more than fifteen consecutive days,~~ The health~~care professional~~ practitioner must also provide written, current and unexpired instructions for the administration of the medication.

~~Special Exception to General Statement~~

~~Over the counter topical sunscreen products may be possessed and used by students, parents, and school staff without a written prescription or note from a licensed health care provider if the following conditions are met:~~

- ~~A. The products is regulated by the US Food and Drug administration as an over the counter sunscreen product; and~~
- ~~B. If possessed by a student, the product is provided to the student by a parent or guardian.~~

Procedures

The superintendent shall establish procedures for:

- A. Designating staff members who may administer ~~prescribed or over the counter~~ medication to students;
- B. Training, ~~delegation,~~ and supervision of staff members in the administration ~~oral medication of prescribed or over the counter medication~~ oral medication to students by a ~~physician or registered nurse;~~ physician or registered nurse;
- C. Obtaining signed and dated ~~parent/guardian parental~~ parent/guardian and licensed health~~care practitioner~~ professional requests ~~and authorization~~ and authorization for the administration of ~~medications, including instructions from the LHP. if the medication is to be given for more than fifteen (15) days~~ medications, including instructions from the licensed health professional.
- D. Storing ~~prescribed or over the counter~~ medication in a locked or limited access ~~area~~ facility; and;
- E. Maintaining records pertaining to the administration of ~~prescribed or non-prescribed~~ medication.
- F. Permitting, under limited circumstances, students to carry and self-administer medications necessary to their attendance at school; and
- G. Permitting possession and self-administration of over-the-counter topical sunscreen products. ~~This procedure may include product identification, storage, limitations of volume~~

~~of sunscreen product possessed, time and circumstances of use, and such other reasonable conditions deemed necessary.~~

~~Inhalers, Injections, Suppositories~~

~~Nasal inhalers, suppositories and non-emergency injections may not be administered by school staff other than registered nurses and licensed practical nurses. No medication will be administered by injection by school staff except when a student is susceptible to a predetermined, life-endangering situation [See Policy 3420, Anaphylaxis Prevention and~~

~~Response]. In such an instance, the parent will submit a written and signed permission statement. Such an authorization will be supported by signed and dated written orders accompanied by supporting directions from the licensed health professional. A staff member will be trained prior to injecting a medication.~~

The use of auto-injectable medication for the treatment of anaphylaxis is covered in School District Policy and Procedure 3419 Self-Administration of Asthma and Anaphylaxis Medication and School District Policy and Procedure 3420, Anaphylaxis Prevention and Response.

Emergency medications including suppositories, rectal gels, nasal atomizers or injections (except for emergency injections for students with anaphylaxis, that is covered in School District Policy and Procedure 3419 Self-Administration of Asthma and Anaphylaxis Medication and School District Policy and Procedure 3420, Anaphylaxis Prevention and Response) may not be administered by school staff other than by a RN, licensed practical nurse (LPN), or in some situations by a parent designated adult (PDA).

If the school decides to discontinue administering a student's medication, the superintendent or designee must provide notice to the student's parent/ guardian orally and in writing prior to the discontinuance. There must be a valid reason for the discontinuance that does not compromise the health of the student or violate legal protections for the disabled.

Sunscreen

Over-the-counter topical sunscreen products may be possessed and used by students, parent/guardians, and school staff without a written prescription or note from a licensed health care provider if the following conditions are met:

- A. The product is regulated by the US Food and Drug administration as an over-the-counter sunscreen product; and
- B. If possessed by a student, the product is provided to the student by a parent/guardian.

Medical Marijuana: Washington State law (RCW 69.51A.060) permits the use of medical marijuana, however, federal law (Title IV-Part A—Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities and the Controlled Substances Act (CSA) (21 U.S.C. § 811) prohibits the possession and use of marijuana on the premises of recipients of federal funds including educational institutions. Therefore, there will be no accommodation of any marijuana use on any school grounds, school bus or at any other school related activities.

Discontinuing Medication

~~If the district decides to discontinue administering a student's medication, the superintendent or~~

