

ADMINISTERING NON-PRESCRIPTION DRUGS TO STUDENTS

Many students are able to attend school regularly only through effective use of medication in the treatment of illnesses that will not hinder the health or welfare of others. If possible, all medication should be given by the parent at home. If this is not possible, over-the-counter, non-prescription drugs may be administered in accordance with the following.

1. Parents/guardians complete the non-prescription drug form.
2. Use of the non-prescription drug is no more than 10 days or doses without a physician's statement.
3. Parents/guardians or their adult designee deliver the medication to school and pick up any remaining medication.
4. Medication is in the original container as purchased.
5. Medication is given to the health personnel.
6. Written permission must be received from the parent/guardian of the student requesting that the school administer non-prescription medication.
7. The parent, guardian or other person having care and charge of the student must agree to submit a revised statement if any of the information originally provided changes.
8. No employee who is authorized by the Board to administer a non-prescription drug and who has a copy of the most recent statement would be liable in civil damages for administering or failing to administer the non-prescription drug, unless he/she acted in a manner that would constitute "gross negligence or wanton or reckless misconduct."
9. No person employed by the Board will be required to administer a non-prescription drug to a student except pursuant to requirements established under this policy.
10. Cough drops/throat lozenges and sunscreen may be supplied by parents for possession and use by student. Students are not permitted to share these items with other students. The use of these items will be monitored by the building health aide and discontinued if the use is considered negligent.

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