

SELF-ADMINISTRATION OF ASTHMA AND ANAPHYLAXIS MEDICATIONS

- A. Students with asthma or anaphylaxis are allowed, in consultation with the school's professional registered nurse, to possess and self-administer medication for asthma or anaphylaxis during the school day, during school sponsored events and while traveling to and from school or school sponsored activities. The student will be authorized to possess and self-administer medication if the following conditions are met:
1. The parent/guardian will need to give permission in writing on the Authorization for Administration of Medication Form for the student to self-carry and self-administer asthma or anaphylaxis medication(s);
 2. A health care practitioner has prescribed the medication for use by the student during school hours and the student has received instructions in the correct and responsible way to use the medication(s);
 3. The student demonstrates to the health care practitioner and a professional registered nurse at the school the skill necessary to correctly administer the medication;
 4. The health care practitioner provides a written treatment plan for managing the asthma or anaphylaxis episodes of the student and for use of medication during school hours. The written treatment plan should include name and dosage of the medication, frequency with which it may be administered, possible side effects and the circumstances that warrant its use; and
 5. The parent or guardian must sign a statement (Authorization for Administration of Medication Form 3418F1) acknowledging that the district will incur no liability as a result of any injury arising from the self-administration of medication by the student and that the parent or guardian will indemnify and hold harmless the district and its employees or agents against any claims arising out of the self administration of medication by the student.
- B. The authorization to self-administer will be valid for the current school year only. The parent or guardian must renew the authorization each school year.
- C. An Authorization for Administration of Medication at School Form and/or Emergency Care Plan need to be easily accessible in the event of an asthma or anaphylaxis emergency.
- D. Backup medication, if provided by the parent or guardian, will be kept at a location in the school to which staff has immediate access during school hours in the event of an asthma or anaphylaxis emergency.
- E. A student's authorization to possess and self-administer medication for asthma or anaphylaxis may be limited or revoked by the professional registered nurse after

consultation with the student's parents or guardian if the student demonstrates an inability to responsibly possess and self-administer such medication.

Asthma or Anaphylaxis Rescue Procedures

In the event of an asthma or anaphylactic episode, the school registered nurse will be immediately contacted. In the absence of the school nurse, the person responsible for school health duties will be contacted.

For asthma, the district will follow the procedures outline in the most recent edition of the AMES: Asthma Management in Educational Settings. For anaphylaxis, the district will follow the Guidelines for the Care of Students with Anaphylaxis published by the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction.