

5405 - 6 - Medication

Students should not take medication during school hours or during school-related activities unless it is necessary for a student's health and well-being. When a student's licensed care provider and parent(s)/guardian(s) believe that it is necessary for the student to take a medication during school hours, they must both request in writing that the school dispense the medication to their child/ward and otherwise follow the District's procedures on dispensing medication. Such a request must be completed and signed on the School Medication Authorization Form.

Parents/guardians shall deliver all medication to the school health services office before medication is dispensed.

No student shall possess or consume any prescription or non-prescription medication on school grounds or at a school-related function other than as provided for in this policy or its implementing procedures. A student may possess medication prescribed for asthma for immediate use at the student's discretion, provided the student's parent(s)/guardian(s) have completed and signed a "School Medication Authorization Form."

The School District shall incur no liability, except for willful and wanton conduct, as a result of any injury arising from a student's self-administration of medication or the medication's storage by school personnel. Parent(s)/guardian(s) must indemnify and hold harmless the School District and its employees and agents, against any claims, except a claim based on willful and wanton conduct, arising out of a student's self-administration of medication or the storage of medications by school personnel.

No school district employee shall administer to any student, or supervise a student's self administration of, any prescription or non-prescription medication until a completed and signed "School Medication Authorization Form" is submitted by the student's parent(s)/guardian(s) and a licensed care provider prescription order to dispense medication is on file with the school.

Nothing in this policy shall prohibit any school employee from providing emergency assistance to students, including administering medication. The Building Principal shall include this policy in the Student Handbook and shall provide a copy to the parent(s)/guardian(s) of students.