

Administering Medication

The Governing Board recognizes that students sometimes may need to take prescribed medication during the school day in order to be able to attend school without jeopardizing their health.

In such cases, when the district has received the statements indicated below, designated personnel shall assist the student in taking the medication.

1. A written statement from the student's parent/guardian requesting district assistance as required by law.
2. A written statement from the student's physician detailing the method, amount, and time schedules for taking the medication.

The parent or guardian of a student who is on continuing prescribed medication shall inform the office staff, or other designated employee, of the medication being prescribed and the name of the supervising physician. The office staff, with the parent/guardian's consent, may communicate with the student's physician regarding the medication and its possible effects. The principal may then counsel school personnel regarding the medication and its possible effects on the student.

The principal shall inform the parent/guardian of every student of the above requirement.

Anaphylactic Injections

The Board recognizes that some students have allergies of such severity that they may require an emergency anaphylactic injection during the course of the school day. Parents/guardians who are aware of this foreseeable need may ask the district to provide such injections in accordance with administrative regulations. It will be the responsibility of the parent or guardian to provide the necessary equipment and medication, required for the injection. It will also be the responsibility of the parent to provide for the medical training in the proper administration of the injection. Such training must be received from a health care professional.

School staff who may be required to administer anaphylactic injections will be authorized to administer the injections within the legal provisions of law and afforded appropriate liability protection.

(cf. 5141 - Health Care and Emergencies)

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE:

49408 Emergency information

49423 Administration of prescribed medication for pupil

49423.5 Specialized health services

49426 School nurses

49480 Continuing medication regimen; notice

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE -- 2700-2837 Nursing, especially:

2726 Authority not conferred -- 2727 Exceptions in general

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