
POLICY: Managing Students with Life Threatening Allergies

It is the policy of the Barre City Elementary and Middle School to manage students with life threatening allergies at school.

Implementation

- 1.0 The superintendent or designee shall develop protocols to prevent exposure to allergens in school and develop procedures for responding to life threatening allergic reactions in schools including post emergency procedures.
- 2.0 The superintendent or designee shall develop a process for the school, the parents or guardians of students and students, as appropriate, with a life-threatening allergy to jointly develop a written individualized allergy management plan.
- 3.0 The plan shall include authorization for the student to possess and self-administer the medication.
- 4.0 Paperwork for the student to possess and self-administer the medication shall include the following:
 - a. written authorization from the physician and parent to self administer the medication with a release of liability clause
 - c. the parent/guardian will bring the medication to the nurse initially with the paperwork
 - d. before the child takes possession of the medication, the nurse will review the medication use/abuse/instructions/efficacy with the student
 - e. paperwork will be filed in the nurses office
 - f. the nurse will determine if the child is mature enough for the responsibility; if not, an alternative plan with a teacher will be put in place, so the medication will be readily available if needed.
- 5.0 All members of the school environment shall receive annual education regarding life-threatening allergies to include response to an anaphylactic reaction and the storage and administration of epinephrine.
- 6.0 The superintendent shall provide annual education and training for school nurses and designated personnel as needed.
- 7.0 School nurses may maintain a stock supply of epinephrine auto-injectors.