

STUDENTSSelf-Administration of Asthma and Anaphylaxis Medications

It is the policy of the board of directors that students with asthma or anaphylaxis will have the opportunity to self-administer prescribed medications according to the requirements of this policy, district procedures, and the direction of the school nurse. For a student to possess and self-administer medication for asthma or anaphylaxis during school, during school events, and while traveling to and from these activities, the following is required:

1. The parent or guardian must submit a signed, written request for the student to carry and self-administer medication for asthma or anaphylaxis;
2. The parent or guardian must submit a valid, current prescription from a licensed health care provider for the medication and verification the student has received instruction on the use of the medication;
3. The student must demonstrate to the health care provider and school nurse that he/she possesses the skill necessary to use the medication and the device necessary to administer the medication in a responsible manner;
4. The health care provider provides a written treatment plan for managing the asthma or anaphylaxis episodes; and
5. The parent or guardian signs a liability waiver and an indemnification and hold-harmless agreement regarding claims arising from the result of injury due self-administration of the medication by the student.

Authorization to self-medicate under this policy must be renewed each year. The superintendent will establish procedures to implement this policy and establish emergency rescue procedures outlined in the most recent edition of *AMES: Asthma Management in Educational Settings*, in cases of suspected asthma and the emergency rescue procedures outlined in the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction's *Guidelines for the Care of Students with Anaphylaxis (2009)* in cases of suspected anaphylaxis.

Cross References:	Policy 3420	Anaphylaxis Prevention and Response
	Policy 3416	Medication at School
	Policy 2161	Special Education and Related Services for
		Eligible Students
	Policy 2162	Education of Students with Disabilities
		under Section 504 of the
		Rehabilitation Act of 1973

Legal References:	RCW 28A.210.370	Students with asthma
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RCW 28A.210.380	Anaphylaxis – Policy Guidelines – Procedures – Reports
42 USC 12212, Sec. 512	Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990
34 CFR Part 104	Sec. 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973