

ADMINISTERING MEDICINES TO STUDENTS

Medication may not be administered to a student while at school unless such medicine is given to them by the school nurse acting under specific written request of the parent or guardian and under the written directive of the student's personal physician (see below for exceptions) or the student self-administers such medication based upon an approved self-administration plan. If a student has been approved for self-administration, a student who needs medication during the school day may be reminded to take the medicine by the school nurse or other individual designated by the school nurse in the student's medical administration plan. This provision only applies when the school nurse has a medical self-administration plan in place for the student.

Exceptions:

The school district shall, through the Holbrook Public School Nurse, register with the Dept. of Public Health and train personnel in the use of epinephrine auto-injectors. The school district may, in conjunction with the School Physician and Holbrook Public School Nurse, stock nasal naloxone (Narcan) and trained medical personnel and first responders may administer nasal naloxone to individuals experiencing a life threatening opiate overdose in a school setting. If the school district wishes medical personnel to train nonmedical staff in the administration of nasal naloxone, the School Committee shall vote to approve such training and the Superintendent shall ensure that medical personnel have a written protocol which complies with medical directives and regulations from the Dept. of Public Health.

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