

**Tumwater School District  
Board Policy**

**CARE OF STUDENTS WITH DIABETES**

E S Senate Bill 6641 requires public school districts to address the medical needs of students with diabetes enrolled in the state's public schools. School districts are required to provide a safe learning environment and access to all other nonacademic school-sponsored activities for students with diabetes.

The Superintendent shall establish procedures for accommodating students with diabetes. The registered nurse shall be appointed to:

1. Consult and coordinate with the parent/guardian and health care providers of students with diabetes; and
2. Train and supervise the appropriate staff in the care of students with diabetes.

The District shall develop and follow an individual health plan for each student with diabetes. Each individual health care plan shall include an individual emergency plan element. The health plans shall be updated annually, or more frequently as needed.

Parents/guardians of students with diabetes may designate an adult to provide care for their student consistent with the student's individual health care plan. At parent/guardian request, school district employees may volunteer to be a parent-designated adult (PDA) under this policy, but they shall not be required to participate. Parent-designated adults who are school employees shall file a voluntary, written, current and unexpired letter of intent stating their willingness to be a parent-designated adult (PDA). Parent-designated adults who are school employees are required to receive training in caring for students with diabetes from the registered nurse or from a nationally certified diabetes educator. Parent-designated adults who are not school employees are required to show evidence of comparable training, and meet school district requirements for volunteers. Parent-designated adults shall receive additional training from a parent-selected health care professional or expert in diabetic care to provide the care requested by the parent/guardian. The registered nurse is not responsible for the supervision of procedures authorized by the parent/guardian and carried out by the parent-designated adult.

Legal References: Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 6641  
Chapter 350, Laws of 2002  
Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973  
PL 101-336 Americans with Disabilities Act

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