

<i>Policy</i>	<i>Title</i> <b>MEDICATIONS</b>	<i>Code</i> <b>JLCD</b>
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### ***HOLLISTON***

Medication may not be administered to students 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). 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 administration plan in place for the student. No one but the school nurse, and those others listed in the medical administration plan acting within the above restriction, may give any medication to any student.

#### **Exceptions:**

HPS (Holliston Public Schools) shall, through the district nurse leader, register with the Dept. of Public Health and train personnel in the use of epinephrine auto-injectors.

HPS may, in conjunction with the School Physician and the School Nurse Leader, 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 HPS wishes medical personnel to train non-medical staff in the administration of nasal naloxone, the School Committee supports such training and the Superintendent shall ensure that medical personnel have a written protocol that complies with medical directives and regulations from the Dept. of Public Health.

Following consultation with the school nurse, students who fall into the following exceptions may self-administer medications:

1. Students with asthma or other respiratory diseases may possess and administer prescription inhalers.
2. Students with cystic fibrosis may possess and administer prescription enzyme supplements.
3. Students with diabetes may possess and administer glucose monitoring tests and insulin delivery systems.
4. Students with life-threatening allergies may possess and administer epinephrine.

In certain circumstances, other medications may be self-administered during "off-campus" experiences such as school-sponsored field trips and excursions, in accordance with 105 CMR 210.600. "Self-administration" means that the student is able to consume or apply medication in the manner directed by the licensed prescriber without additional assistance or direction. Parents/guardians must have a medication administration plan in place for each student with the school nurse in order to allow them to self-administer. Procedures for self-administration of medication(s) shall be available to parents or guardians upon request from the school nurse.

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