

No employee shall give any student prescription medication, non-prescription medication, herbal substances, anabolic steroids, or dietary supplements of any type, except as authorized by this or other District policy.

**Medication Provided
by Parent**

The Superintendent shall designate the employees who are authorized to administer medication that has been provided by a student's parent. An authorized employee is permitted to administer the following medication in accordance with administrative regulations:

1. Prescription medication in accordance with legal requirements.
2. Nonprescription medication, ~~upon a parent's written request, when properly labeled and in the original container~~ in accordance with legal requirements.
3. Alternative and complementary medications such as herbal substances, dietary supplements, or essential oils provided by the parent and only if required by the individualized education program or Section 504 plan for a student with disabilities. The parent shall provide a written request from the prescribing physician or other health-care professional with prescriptive authority who is licensed to practice in Texas. The request shall include the following:
 - a. Identification of the condition for which the product is being prescribed;
 - b. Verification that the product and requested dosage are safe for the student; and
 - c. Reasonable information about therapeutic and untoward effects and interactions.

**Medication Provided
by District**

Except as required by law and provided by this policy, the District shall not purchase medication to administer to a student.

Athletic Program

The District shall purchase nonprescription medication that may be used to prevent or treat illness or injury in the District's athletic program. Only a licensed athletic trainer or a physician licensed to practice medicine in the state of Texas may administer this medication and may do so only if:

1. The District has prior written consent for medication to be administered [see Medical Treatment, below]; and
2. The administration of a medication by an athletic trainer is in accordance with a standing order or procedures approved by

a physician licensed to practice medicine in the state of Texas.

Epinephrine	The District authorizes school personnel who have agreed in writing and been adequately trained to administer an unassigned epinephrine delivery system, such as an auto-injector or nasal spray , in accordance with law and this policy. Administration of epinephrine shall only be permitted when an authorized and trained individual reasonably believes a person is experiencing anaphylaxis.
<i>On Campus</i>	<p>Authorized and trained individuals may administer an unassigned epinephrine auto-injector delivery system at any time to a person experiencing anaphylaxis on a school campus.</p> <p>The District shall ensure that at each campus a sufficient number of authorized individuals are trained to administer epinephrine so that at least one trained individual is present on campus during all hours the campus is open. In accordance with state rules, the campus shall be considered open for this purpose during regular on-campus school hours and whenever school personnel are physically on site for school-sponsored activities.</p>
<i>Maintenance, Availability, and Training</i>	The Superintendent shall develop administrative regulations designating a coordinator to manage policy implementation and addressing annual training of authorized individuals in accordance with law; procedures for auto-injector delivery system use; and acquisition or purchase, maintenance, expiration, disposal, and availability of unassigned epinephrine auto-injectors at each campus.
<i>Notice to Parents</i>	In accordance with law, the District shall provide notice of the policy to parents regarding the epinephrine program, including notice of any change to or discontinuation of this program.
Opioid Antagonist	This provision shall be applicable to every campus.
<i>On Campus</i>	<p>The District authorizes school personnel who have been adequately trained to administer an opioid antagonist in accordance with law and this policy. Administration of an opioid antagonist shall only be permitted when an authorized and trained individual reasonably believes a person is experiencing an opioid-related overdose.</p> <p>Each applicable campus shall have at least one individual who is authorized and trained to administer an opioid antagonist present during regular school hours.</p>
<i>Maintenance, Availability, Training, and Reporting</i>	Each applicable campus shall have at least two unused, unexpired opioid antagonist doses available.

All opioid antagonists shall be stored in a secure location and shall be easily accessible by individuals who are authorized and trained to administer an opioid antagonist.

The Superintendent shall develop administrative regulations addressing acquisition, maintenance, expiration, and disposal of opioid antagonists in the District, as well as reporting, employee training, and emergency notification requirements.

*Medication for
Respiratory Distress*

The District authorizes school personnel who have been adequately trained to administer unassigned medication for respiratory distress in accordance with law and this policy. Administration of this type of medication shall only be permitted when an authorized and trained individual reasonably believes a person is experiencing respiratory distress.

On-Campus

Authorized and trained individuals may administer unassigned medication for respiratory distress at any time a person is experiencing this type of distress on a school campus.

The District shall ensure that at each campus a sufficient number of authorized individuals are trained to administer this medication so that at least one trained individual is present on campus during regular school hours as defined in state rules.

*Maintenance,
Availability, and
Training*

The Superintendent shall develop administrative regulations:

1. Designating a coordinator to manage policy implementation;
2. Addressing annual training of authorized individuals in accordance with law;
3. Listing the trained individuals authorized to administer unassigned medication for respiratory distress;
4. Addressing procedures for use; and
5. Addressing acquisition or purchase, maintenance, expiration, disposal, and availability of unassigned medication for respiratory distress at each campus.

Notice to Parents

In accordance with law, the District shall provide notice of the policy to parents regarding the administration of unassigned medication to a person experiencing respiratory distress, including notice of any change to or discontinuation of these provisions.

*After
Administration of
Medication*

After the administration of unassigned medication to a student experiencing respiratory distress, the coordinator shall provide written notice to the student's parent, the health-care provider authorizing the unassigned medication for respiratory distress, and the student's primary health-care provider.

Psychotropics

Except as permitted by law, an employee shall not:

1. Recommend to a student or a parent that the student use a psychotropic drug;
2. Suggest a particular diagnosis; or
3. Exclude the student from a class or a school-related activity because of the parent's refusal to consent to psychiatric evaluation or examination or treatment of the student.

Medical Treatment

A student's parent, legal guardian, or other person having lawful control shall annually complete and sign a form that provides emergency information and addresses authorization regarding medical treatment. A student who has reached age 18 shall be permitted to complete this form.

The District shall seek appropriate emergency care for a student as required or deemed necessary.