

Use of Medications

The administration of prescribed medication to a pupil during school hours will be permitted only when failure to take such medicine would jeopardize the health of the pupil, or the pupil would not be able to attend school if the medicine were not made available during school hours.

For purposes of this policy, “medication” shall include all medicines prescribed by a physician or a nurse practitioner.

Before any medication may be administered to any pupil or self administered during school hours, the Board shall require the written request of the parent and the written order of the prescribing physician. Both documents shall be kept on file in the office of the school nurse.

Only medication in its original prescription bottle, labeled with the date of prescription, pupil’s name, and exact dosage will be dispensed in the health office. Medication may only be administered by the nurse or a parent/guardian of the child. In the event that the nurse is not present, he/she may designate a person to administer medication specifically rationed and labeled by the nurse.

No pupil is to have any other type of medication (aspirin, diet pill, antihistamine, etc.) on his/her person in school under any circumstances. If situations arise where such medication may be needed, the principal is to be consulted. Pupils who are observed with medication or taking medication are to be reported to the principal immediately.

Pupils who may require emergency application of medication may have such medication, identified as aforementioned, stored in the nurse’s office.