

<h1>POLICY</h1>	2009	7603
	Students	

Subject: Medication

The District shall prohibit pupils from carrying or ingesting any type of medication (either prescribed or over the counter) during school time or after school activities except as described below.

Under certain unusual circumstances, when it is necessary for a student to take prescribed medication during school hours, the school nurse may administer the medication if the parent submits a written request and it is accompanied by a written order from a physician in which he/she indicates the frequency and dosage of prescribed medication. Such medication is to be brought to the school health office in its original container by the parent or guardian.

It is recommended that during school sponsored events that a school nurse or parent/guardian administer medications to a student. There are instances where a school nurse or parent/guardian is not available to do so. Under such circumstances, the parent/guardian may authorize in writing another adult, such as a family member, household member or friend, to do so (Education Law §6908).

The administration of emergency medication (including injectable “epi-pen”) to a student for extreme hypersensitivity may be performed by any school staff member responding to the emergency. Such a response would fall under the Good Samaritan exemption.

Students with certain severe health care problems may be allowed to carry and self-administer their medication if deemed appropriate by the child’s physician and registered with the school nurse.

Education Law Section 916
Public Health Law Section 3000a

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