

**Cedar Hill Independent School District
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Meeting Date: December 10, 2012
Presented by: Mr. Horace Williams, Superintendent of Schools
Subject: Consider Policy FFAC (Local) on First Reading

Information Item

BOARD GOAL:

This Policy is not directly responsive to a particular Board Goal, but it does address actions and activities that support student well being.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Policy FFAC (Local) generally address issues and sets forth guidelines related to the medical treatment of students. The policy is coming before the Board for an update based upon recommendations made by Dr. Marshall, Athletic Trainer Julie Torre, Athletic Director Gina Farmer and Lead Nurse Amy Bryant.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board review the proposed Policy FFAC (Local) as attached. The revisions are indicated entirely and exclusively by the shaded areas on each page.

This will constitute the first reading of the Policy.

BOARD ACTION REQUIRED:

Review only. No action required on this first reading.

POLICY AUTHORIZATION:

BF (Local) – Board Policies

CONTACT PERSON:

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FUNDING SOURCE:

N/A

ENCLOSURES:

Policy FFAC (Local) as proposed for consideration.

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STUDENT ILLNESS Procedures shall be established by the administration to ensure that proper attention is given to any student who becomes ill during the course of a school day.

ACCIDENTS INVOLVING STUDENTS Emergency procedures shall be established by the administration to ensure proper attention for any student injured at school. Records shall be maintained on all accidents that require the attention of a medical doctor.

EMERGENCY TREATMENT FORMS Each year, students and parents shall complete and sign a form that provides emergency information and authorizes school officials to obtain emergency medical treatment, as provided by law.

STANDARDS FOR ALL MEDICATIONS All medications shall be FDA-approved pharmaceuticals (prescription and nonprescription) administered within their therapeutic range and within standards of acceptable medical regimen. Research pharmaceuticals may be administered if they are a part of a University Institutional Review Board-approved protocol. Intravenous (IV) medications and treatments shall not be administered by school personnel.

ADMINISTERING MEDICATION No employee shall give any student prescription medication, non-prescription medication, herbal substances, anabolic steroids, or dietary supplements of any type, except as provided below.

EXCEPTIONS Employees authorized by the Superintendent or designee may administer to students:

PROVIDED BY PARENT

1. Prescription medication in accordance with legal requirements, for a period of up to ten days. [See FFAC(LEGAL)] A written request by a physician or other health-care professional with authority to write prescriptions shall be required when the medication must be administered for a longer period.
2. Nurses and athletic trainers employed by the District may accept orders only from those physicians who are legally authorized to practice medicine in Texas by the Texas Board of Medical Examiners (*Texas Medical Practice Act, Occupations Code, Title 3, Subtitle B, Section 155.001*), active duty military physicians in the state of Texas, or civilian practitioners working at a military treatment facility in the state of Texas.
3. Nonprescription medication, upon a parent's written request, when properly labeled and in the original container.

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DISTRICT

4. Herbal substances or dietary supplements provided by the parent and only if required by the individualized education program or Section 504 plan of a student with disabilities.
5. Prescription and nonprescription medication provided by the District on an emergency and non-emergency basis, with written parental/legal guardian permission administered by the District:
 - a. A standing order and protocols established by the District's medical advisor(s) and/or athletic team physician(s) who must be licensed to practice medicine in the state of Texas; and
 - b. Parental consent given on an appropriate treatment form
6. The District shall administer the following prescription medications solely on an emergency basis:
 - Albuterol solution through a nebulizer, and
 - An Epi-Pen® containing epinephrine, and
 - Oxygen Administration

These prescription medications shall only be administered in accordance with:

- a. Standing orders and protocols established by the District's medical advisor(s) and/or athletic team physician(s), who must be a physician licensed to practice medicine in the state of Texas; and
- b. Parental consent given on an appropriate treatment form or, where a parent has not returned an appropriate treatment form, in life-threatening situations where time is of the essence and parents cannot be contacted within a reasonable time.

The determination of whether to administer either of these prescription medications to a student in an emergency situation shall be made solely by a school nurse, athletic trainer, the District's medical advisor(s), and/or the athletic team physician(s) who shall assess the student's needs and administer the medication needed to alleviate the emergency.

FIELD TRIPS / OFF-
CAMPUS, SCHOOL-
SPONSORED
EVENTS

For any District student attending a field trip or off-campus school-sponsored event, any prescription medication that the District is required to administer under this policy shall be sent with the student's trained and authorized District teacher, athletic trainer(s)

and/or nurse along with instructions on the administration of the medication and the district's protocol.

PSYCHOTROPICS

Except as permitted by Education Code 38.016, 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.

DO-NOT- RESUSCITATE ORDERS

4. Do-not-resuscitate (DNR) orders shall only apply to health-care professionals. District health-care professionals shall use professional judgment and shall follow procedures developed by the department of health services when treating students with DNR orders. If a DNR order is presented to a Section 504 committee or an admission, review, and dismissal (ARD) committee, the order shall be provided to the campus nurse. In addition, emergency medical services personnel and other health-care professionals who may be called to the school should be presented with the DNR order should a student with such an order experience medical difficulties.