



## **ALEDO ISD BOARD MEETING TEMPLATE**

**MEETING DATE:** October 15, 2018

**AGENDA ITEM:** Consider Approval of Local Board Policy – FFAC (LOCAL) Wellness and Health Services-Medical Treatment

**PRESENTER:** Lynn McKinney, Deputy Superintendent

**ALIGNS TO BOARD PRIORITIES:**

Safety – The District shall maintain a safe and orderly environment.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The first reading for this policy was presented to the board as a communication item at the September 17, 2018 board meeting.

The current Board Policy FFAC (LOCAL) allows for the district to maintain and administer unassigned epinephrine pens (“epi-pens”) on campuses. Due to a new interpretation from the Department of State and Health Services about the state law permitting this policy, the Administration recommends deleting the provisions about unassigned epi-pens in Policy FFAC (LOCAL), for the following reasons.

The current policy requires a local physician’s written orders to allow our school nurses (specified in the doctor’s orders) to assess for anaphylaxis and administer the epi-pen. The doctor that writes these orders for unassigned epi-pens for our district has expressed an unwillingness to write orders where someone other than a nurse would make the assessment for anaphylaxis and administer the epi-pen.

Due to the new interpretation, the resources needed to implement this policy (trained personnel, number/costs of epi-pens, storage/transport of epi-pens, administrative oversight of events/trained paid personnel) are currently unavailable and impractical as part of the daily operation of our schools.

**ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATIONS:** Consider approval of Board Policy FFAC (LOCAL) as revised, attached.

**FISCAL NOTE:** None

**ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS:** Administration recommends approval of the revised FFCA (LOCAL) as presented.