

XXX: Administration of Medication and Student Health Support (P)

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POLICY STATEMENT

The Board of Education is committed to creating a safe, inclusive, and supportive learning environment for all students.

While families are the primary caregivers and hold the central role in their child's health care, the Board acknowledges that there are circumstances where support may be needed during the school day. When this occurs, the school principal (or designate) will work with the student's family to ensure appropriate arrangements are in place, in accordance with established procedures.

The Board's goal is to:

- Support students' health, safety, and dignity while attending school.
- Promote student well-being and maximize learning potential.
- Enable students, when developmentally appropriate, to participate in the management of their medical needs.
- Provide guidance and support for school staff to confidently and competently fulfill their role in supporting students with medical conditions.
- Foster effective collaboration among families, school personnel, and healthcare professionals.

All student health support, including physician-prescribed medications to be administered or monitored at school, must be managed through a documented plan developed in consultation with the student's family, and, where appropriate, the student and relevant health professionals. These plans must follow the guidelines set out in the administrative procedures of this policy.

Medication shall not be administered by school staff until a documented plan has been completed. In the meantime, parents or guardians are responsible for attending the school to administer the medication. In cases where this is not possible, student attendance may need to be postponed until the plan is complete.

Emergency medical responses, including the administration of life-saving medication (e.g., for anaphylaxis), will be carried out in accordance with applicable legislation and the Board's emergency policies, as referenced below.

The Board is committed to ensuring that the necessary training, planning, and communication are in place to meet students' needs safely and respectfully, so that every student has equitable access to their education. Required forms to support this policy are included in the Administration of Medication and Student Health Support Administrative Procedure (see Appendix 1 & 2).

RESOURCES AND REFERENCES

Pacific Rim School District – XXXX Administration of Medication and Student Health Support (AP)

Pacific Rim School District – XXX Anaphylaxis (P)

Pacific Rim School District – XXXX Anaphylaxis (AP)

Pacific Rim School District – XXX Opioid Overdose Response (P)



Pacific Rim School District – XXXX Opioid Overdose Response (AP)

Pacific Rim School District – XXX Automated External Defibrillator (P)

Pacific Rim School District – XXXX Automated External Defibrillator (AP)

Pacific Rim School District – XXX Response to Unexpected Health Emergencies (P)

Pacific Rim School District – XXXX Response to Unexpected Health Emergencies (AP)

Policy 303: Student Health Services and Medication Management - North Vancouver School District