

Current School Board Rule Regarding Medication for Students
With Proposed Revisions

4.12 **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

I. **Medication for Students**

1. For each over-the-counter or prescribed medication to be taken by or administered to the student during the school day, the student's parent or guardian shall provide to the school principal a completed Parent Authoraton for Administration of Medication ("PAAM") form proper written authorization, which shall grant the principal and/or his or her designees the permission to assist in the administration of such medication each prescribed or over the counter medication to be provided during the school day, including when the student is away from school property on official school 36 business. Administration of any such medication during the school day also must be supported by a medical healthcare provider's order, prescription, or Medical Authorization for Administration of Medication ("MAAM") form. Except as herein provided, the school principal, or his or her trained health care designees, shall be available to assist the student in the administration of such medication where appropriate.

Cough drops may be administered in school if authorized in writing by the parent/guardian, and need not be supported by a healthcare provider's order or authorization. However, cough drops must be kept in the school nurse's office/health room. Students may possess and use an over-the-counter topical sunscreen product without the need for a PAAM, MAAM, or other written authorization of a parent/guardian or healthcare provider. However, a PAAM will be required if a parent/guardian requests application of the sunscreen product by the school nurse or health care designee.

~~THERE ARE ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR PRESCRIBED MEDICATIONS REGARDING THE ADMINISTRATION OF NARCOTICS FOR PAIN MANAGERMENT. THE FOLLOWING STEPS MUST BE TAKEN:~~

- a. All medications must be labeled with the name and address of the pharmacy, date of dispensing, student's/patient's name, prescriber's name, and instructions to include dosage, and frequency of administration, and physician's name.

- b. The school nurse or health care designee shall maintain a medication log and ~~Both parties (parent/guardian and nurse/health designee) shall sign the narcotics medication log to verify the initial count and proper administration of all medications. The medication log shall be signed and updated each date upon which medication is administered.~~
- c. All medication ~~narcotics~~ shall be delivered to the school by the student's parent/guardian and thereafter stored in a locked container. ~~This container shall be secured by placing in a locked cabinet/drawer. The school nurse/health care designee/principal shall retain possession of and access to the container and medication keys. Medication requiring refrigeration should be placed in a locked refrigerator or in a locked container in a refrigerator located in a secure area. Emergency injectable medications such as Epi-Pen and Glucagon must be immediately accessible.~~
- d. ~~Narcotics shall be counted and signed off each day to account for all doses given. This count shall be performed by two persons to include the nurse and designated school personnel. ¶~~
- e. There shall be no liability for civil damages as a result of the administration of such medication where the person administering such medication acts as an ordinarily reasonable, prudent person would have acted under the same or similar circumstances.
- f. Appropriate school personnel ~~(i.e., teacher)~~ should be advised of ~~students who have been administered medication during the school day and that the child has been medicated and may exhibit adverse reactions to the medication drug. Specific possibilities of adverse reactions should be described according to the drug.~~
- g. ~~All unused doses shall be disposed of as follows: Disposal of contaminated, expired, or unclaimed medications:~~
 - 1. Contaminated, expired, or unclaimed medication will be disposed of in the manner and method set forth in the School Health Services Manual. ~~A dose that becomes contaminated or is otherwise rendered unusable shall be disposed of through a reversed distributor arrangement. If this option is unavailable, dispose of via the municipal sewer system. This will be witnessed by the school nurse and designated school personnel and documented in the narcotics medication log. The Parent/guardian will be notified before the disposal of contaminated or expired medication. of wasted dose.~~

2. The parent/guardian shall be notified and given a reasonable opportunity to retrieve expired medication or any medication remaining at the end of each school year. All unclaimed doses shall be disposed of ~~via the reversed distributor arrangement after a reasonable period amount of time and after notice to the parent/guardian. If this option is unavailable, dispose of via the municipal sewer system. This will be witnessed by the school nurse and designated school personnel and documented in the narcotics medication log. Parent/guardian will be notified of wasted dose.~~

3. Disposal of medication shall be witnessed by the school nurse and designated school personnel and documented in the appropriate medication log.

h. ~~Students who require administration of narcotics (used for pain management) during a field trip shall not be allowed to participate unless escorted by a parent or legal guardian. If medication is to be administered on field trips, the original container must be transferred to the trained person who will be administering the medication, and administration must be appropriately documented. It is not permissible to transfer medication to an unlabeled envelope or other container for later administration. However, parents/guardians may request the dispensing pharmacy to provide them with a properly labeled duplicate prescription container for field trips.~~

i. ~~No medicine will be administered to students enrolled at the Career and Technical Education Child Care Center unless it is for a life threatening condition (i.e., asthma nebulizer, medication for seizures). The medication must be accompanied by a medication form filled out by the prescribing physician. A copy of the order is to be maintained in the classroom and the school clinic. 37~~

2. ~~2.~~ All student ~~M~~medications must be delivered to the student's school by ~~their~~ the parent/guardian in the original medication containers. All medications to be administered ~~at~~ by school personnel shall be received, counted, and stored in the original containers. ~~The medication authorization form must be signed by the parent/guardian.~~

3. Medications which are to be self-administered ~~Students who are self-administering by students non-prescription medications during school hours in school will be required to~~ must also be supported by the parent and health care provider furnish an ~~written~~ authorizations set forth above ~~form signed by their parents. Students who are self-administering prescribed medication in school will be required to furnish an authorization~~

~~form signed by the parent/guardian and physician stating name, purpose, and dosage of medication. These medications will be maintained in a locked container cabinet in the health room, or in a location designated by the school nurse or principal. Exceptions can be made to permit for allowance of emergency medication to be carried and kept by with the student in accordance with School Board Policies and related provisions set forth in ; however, medication must be registered with the school. (See local Appendix to the District's Code of Conduct and School Health Services and Administrative Resource Manuals. Student/Parent Handbook District Information and Procedures and Policies Regarding School Health Services.)~~

4. A parent/guardian caregiver may administer medication to their child during the school day. However, the parent/caregiver will be exclusively responsible for safely administering and transporting the medication to and from school each day. An authorization form must be completed by a health care provider for all such medications that a parent/guardian caregiver will be administering to a child during the school day. The authorization must indicate the health care provider's acknowledgement that the caregiver will be administering the medication.

~~(Ref. F.S. 239.221)~~

II. Administration of Medical Marijuana

In light of an amendment to the Florida Constitution and associated state law including section 1006.062 of the Florida Statutes (2017), the School Board will permit the administration of medical marijuana to qualified student-patients when administration cannot be reasonably accomplished outside of school hours and school facilities and will not present a disruption to school operations.

For purposes of this policy, the following definitions shall apply:

1. "Designated location" means a location identified in writing by the school administration in its sole discretion.
2. "Permissible form of medical marijuana" means non-smokeable products such as oils, patches, tinctures, edible products or lotions that can be administered and fully ingested or absorbed in a short period of time. Forms of medical marijuana not included in this definition may be proposed by the qualified student's primary caregiver to the school leader, who may authorize such a request after consultation with appropriate medical personnel chosen by the district.

3. "Caregiver" means the qualified patient's (student) parent, guardian or primary caregiver that is identified by his or her medical marijuana use registry identification card issued by the State of Florida. A copy of the caregiver medical marijuana use registry identification card is to be included with all school registration information. Any primary caregiver seeking access to school or district property for purposes of this policy must comply with the Board's policy and/or procedures concerning visitors to schools and all other applicable policies.
4. "Qualified student" means a student who holds a valid identification/registration card, designating the student as a "qualified patient," issued by the State of Florida for the use of medical marijuana and for whom the administration of medical marijuana cannot reasonably be accomplished outside of school hours.

A qualified student's caregiver may administer a permissible form of medical marijuana to a qualified student in a designated location if all of the following parameters are met:

1. The qualified student's parent/guardian provides the school with a copy of the student's valid registration card from the State of Florida designating the student as a qualified patient authorizing the student to receive medical marijuana at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance of requesting authorization to administer medical marijuana pursuant to this policy;
2. The qualified student's parent/guardian provides the school, on an annual basis, a Medical Authorization for Administration of Medication form completed by a physician for the administration of medical marijuana to the qualified student during the school day, acknowledging that a parent or caregiver will be administering the medical marijuana.
3. The qualified student's parent/guardian signs a written acknowledgement assuming all responsibility for the provision, administration, maintenance and use of medical marijuana under state law, and releases the district from liability for any injury that occurs pursuant to this policy;
4. The qualified student/patient's caregiver shall be responsible for providing the permissible form of medical marijuana to be administered to the qualified student;

5. The District determines, in its sole discretion, that a location and a method of administration of a permissible form of medical marijuana are available that do not create risk of disruption to the educational environment or exposure to other students;
6. After administering the permissible form of medical marijuana to the qualified student, the caregiver shall remove any remaining medical marijuana from the grounds of a school; and,
7. The District prepares, with input from the qualified student's parent/guardian, a written plan that identifies the form, designated location(s), and any protocol regarding administration of a permissible form of medical marijuana to the qualified student/patient. The school administrator, the qualified student (if capable), the qualified student's parent/guardian, and caregiver (if applicable) shall sign the written plan.

Additional requirements and reasonable restrictions:

1. Neither a school nor any school personnel shall receive, store, maintain, or administer medical marijuana in any form.
2. The foregoing policy does not convey a right to any student or to any parent/guardian caregiver to demand access to any particular location on District property, a school bus, or at any school-sponsored event to administer medical marijuana.
3. This policy shall not apply to school grounds, District property, school buses or school-sponsored events located on federal property or any other location that prohibits marijuana on its property.
4. Permission to administer medical marijuana to a qualified student may be limited or revoked if the qualified student and/or the student's caregiver violates this policy.
5. Student possession, use, distribution, sale or being under the influence of marijuana inconsistent with this policy may be considered a violation of Board policy concerning drug and alcohol use and may subject the student to disciplinary consequences, including suspension and/or expulsion, where appropriate and/or otherwise in accordance with applicable Board policy.



(Ref. F.S. §§ 381.986, 1006.06; FAC Rule 64B 16-28.108; Section 29(c)(6), Fla. Const.
2) (Amended __/__/18)