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Policy 5144

FOSTER-GLOCESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

Glocester, RI

MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION WITHIN THE SCHOOLS

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this policy is to establish a consistent method for administering medication to students at school or at school related activities.

POLICY STATEMENT:

The administration of all medication to students within the school environment or as required in behalf of students regularly enrolled in the Public Schools of this District, during the conduct of regular

school activities shall comply with the following expectations:

1. Except in the case of an emergency situation, only school nurse teachers or parents/guardians are authorized to dispense medication to students.
2. No student is allowed to transport medication to and from school. All medication must be transported to and from schools by the parent/guardian or another adult.
3. Prescription medication will be dispensed to students only when a) received by the school nurse-teacher in the original labeled container from the pharmacy and b) when the administration of such medication in school is requested in writing by the attending physician / licensed practitioner and parent/guardian.
4. Over The Counter medication, with the exception of Tylenol, will be dispensed to students only when received by the school nurse-teacher in the original labeled container, and administration

of such medication in school must be requested in writing by the attending physician.

5. Tylenol may be dispensed to students by the school nurse teacher when requested in writing by

the parent/guardian and included in the Standing Orders.

6. Inhalers may be self-administered with written authorization from both parent/guardian and physician / licensed practitioner. Inhalers are to be stored in the office/health room unless written authorization from a physician / licensed practitioner and parent / guardian states otherwise.

7. With respect to away from school activities, such as field trips, unless the child has been identified as having a medical condition requiring the administration of medication on field trips