

HENNIKER SCHOOL DISTRICT
ADMINISTERING MEDICATION TO STUDENTS

The Superintendent shall be responsible for establishing specific procedures to protect and control medications administered in schools.

Medication should not be taken during school hours if it is possible to achieve the medical regimen at home.

In the case where medication must be taken during school hours, medication is to be administered by the School Nurse. In the absence of the School Nurse, a designee of the Superintendent may assist the student in taking prescribed medication. In accordance with NH Code of Administrative Rules Section Ed. 311.02(d), any pupil in grades one through eight must be assisted by such persons and the medication, therefore, shall be in the custody of such persons.

A pupil may possess and self-administer a metered dose inhaler or a dry powder inhaler to alleviate or prevent asthmatic symptoms, auto-injectors for severe allergic reactions, and other injectable medications, if authorized in writing by both the student's physician and parent/legal guardian. In addition to filling out the written authorization form, the parent or guardian must also provide written proof of the diagnosis, and verification that the student has the knowledge and skills to safely possess and use the medication in a school setting.

Students shall not share any prescription or over-the counter medication with another student. Each year, the District shall notify students in writing of this prohibition and that violations shall result in appropriate disciplinary action, including but not limited to suspension or expulsion.

Statutory/Administrative Reference:

RSA 200:42, Possession and Use of Epinephrine Auto-Injectors Permitted

RSA 200:43, Use of Epinephrine Auto-Injector

RSA 200:44, Availability of Epinephrine Auto-Injector

RSA 200:45, Pupil Use of Epinephrine Auto-Injectors - Immunity

RSA 200:46, Possession and Self-Administration of Asthma Inhalers Permitted

RSA 200:47, Use of Asthma Medications by Pupils - Immunity

N.H. Code of Administrative Rules – Section Ed. 311.02(d); Medication During School Day

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