Student Self-Administration of Inhaled Asthma Medication and Anaphylaxis Medication

Purpose

Pursuant to Okla. Stat. tit. 70, § 1-116.3, the Board of Education of the Hilldale School District permits students to self-administer inhaled asthma medication and anaphylaxis medication in accordance with the following rules and regulations:

Definitions

For purposes of this policy, these terms have the following definitions:

“Inhaled asthma medication” means a metered dose inhaler or a dry powder inhaler to alleviate asthmatic symptoms, prescribed by a physician and having an individual label;

"Anaphylaxis medication" means a medication used to treat anaphylaxis, including but not limited to Epinephrine injectors, prescribed by a physician and having an individual label.

“Self-administration” means a student’s use of medication pursuant to prescription or written direction from a physician.

Requirements for Parents and Students

Permission granted by this policy for self-administration of inhaled asthma medication or anaphylaxis medication is effective only for the school year in which it is granted. Permission shall be renewed each subsequent school year only upon fulfillment of the requirements of this policy.

The parent or legal guardian of the student must authorize in writing permission for the student’s self-administration of inhaled asthma medication or anaphylaxis medication. Such written permission shall include the following:

1. Permission statement authorizing the student to self-administer inhaled asthma medication or anaphylaxis medication;

2. A written statement from the student’s physician stating that the student has asthma or anaphylaxis and is capable of, and has been instructed in, the proper method of self-administration of the medication; and

3. Acknowledgement from the student’s parent or legal guardian that the District and its employees and agents shall incur no liability as a result of any injury arising from the student’s self-administration of asthma medication or anaphylaxis medication.

Prior to the District granting permission for the student to self-administer inhaled asthma medication or anaphylaxis medication, the parent or legal guardian of the student is
required to provide the school an emergency supply of the student’s medication to be administered in accordance with the provisions of the District’s Administration of Medicine to Students policy. The parent or legal guardian must agree in writing to the rules and regulations set forth in that policy.

A student who has been granted permission by the district to self-administer inhaled asthma medication or anaphylaxis medication pursuant to the policy shall be permitted to possess and use a prescribed inhaler or Epinephrine or other injector.