WEIMAR INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Administrative Regulations for Administration of Medications at School

- 1. Parents/Guardians <u>MUST</u> deliver and pick up all medication(s) to and from the Health Office/Front Office. The parent/guardian must properly fill out the Authorization of medication at School Form and turn into the school nurse for every new medication and/or change in medication.
- 2. Parents/Guardians shall provide any necessary medication(s) for their student. Texas law does not allow public schools to administer non-prescription medications such as Tylenol, Ibuprofen or cough syrups, etc. These must be supplied from home. Loose, unlabeled, and/or medications in baggies will not be given and will be disposed of.
- 3. Medications are considered any pills, liquids, inhalers, sprays, eye drops, ear drops, cough drops or topically applied creams or ointments that are expected to relieve symptoms.
- 4. Only medications that are medically necessary during the school hours for the student's attendance or written in an IEP should be sent to school. Medication requested to be given three (3) times daily or less will not be given unless the prescribing physician orders a specific time or the school nurse determines that a special circumstance exists for an individual student.
- 5. Students in grades Pre-K through 12th grade <u>ARE NOT ALLOWED</u> to carry any medication, prescription, or over-the-counter, or to self-administer the medication unless ordered by a U.S. licensed medical practitioner for diabetes, asthma, and/or anaphylaxis. By law only medications with medical order/permission that may be carried by a student is an asthma inhaler, EpiPen, and/or insulin.
- 6. The first dose of any medication for the current condition/illness may not be given at school.
- 7. A physician's order is required for any injectable medication. Intramuscular injections (IM) will only be administered in life-threatening situations per physician emergency action plans. Intravenous (IV) medications and allergy shots will not be given.
- 8. All medication will be kept secure and administered in the Health Office/Front Office, as designated by the campus principal.
- 9. Prescription medication must be in the original prescription bottle with the correct and current label. Ask the pharmacy for a school bottle.

The label must include the following:

• Student's name

- Name of the prescribing physician who is licensed in Texas.
- Name of medication with strength.
- Dosage and directions.
- Date prescription was filled (must be in current bottle or packaging).
- 10. No more than a month's supply of medication will be stored on school property. Parents/guardians are required to bring their student's monthly supply of medication; which allows the school nurse to discuss the student's condition and plan of care with the parent/guardian on a regular basis.
- 11. Non-prescription (over-the-counter) medication will be given if all of the following requirements are met:
 - Medication must be supplied by the parent/guardian.
 - Medication must be approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and appear in the United States Pharmacopeia.
 - Medications must be in the original, properly labeled container and labeled for dosage appropriate to the student's age and/or weight.
 - Only medications that cannot be given at home will be given at school.
 - Non-prescription medications may be available in the Health/Front Office for 15 days only with parent/guardian authorization. After 15 consecutive days, the prescribing physician must co-sign the permission form order for the medication to remain at school.
 - Non-prescription medication may not be given more than three (3) consecutive school days without a physician's order to do so.
- 12. School staff will not administer herbal remedies or homeopathic products, unless required by the student's IEP, or section 504 plan of a student with a disability.
- 13. School staff will not administer medications from foreign countries.
- 14. Expired medications will not be given.
- 15. It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian for retrieving the medication from the Health/Front Office when it is no longer needed or when the school year ends.
- 16. A new Authorization of Medication at School Form must be filled out every school year.
- 17. In accordance with the Nurse Practice Act, Texas Code Section 217.11, the school nurse has the responsibility and authority to clarify a medication order with appropriate licensed practitioner and/or refuse to administer medication that, in the nurse's judgment, is not in the best interest of the student.

Please contact me with any questions.

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