

Prescription Medication**

The district recognizes that the administration of prescription medication to students and/or student self-medication may be necessary when the failure to take such medication during school hours would prevent the student from attending school, and recognizes a need to ensure the health and well-being of students who require regular doses or injections of medication as a result of experiencing a life-threatening allergic reaction or adrenal crisis¹, or have a need to manage hypoglycemia, asthma or diabetes. When a licensed health care professional is not immediately available, a designated trained staff member may administer to a student, epinephrine, glucagon or other medications as prescribed and allowed by Oregon law.

When prescribed by a physician², students in grades K-12 will be allowed to self-administer prescription medication, including medication for asthma or severe allergy as defined by state law, and subject to age-appropriate guidelines. A written treatment plan for a student who self-administers medication will be developed and signed by a physician or other Oregon licensed health care professional and kept on file. A written request and permission form signed by a parent or guardian is required and will be kept on file. If the student is deemed to have violated Board policy or medical protocol by the district, the district may revoke the permission given to a student to self-administer medication.

The superintendent will require that an individualized health care plan is developed for every student with a known life-threatening allergy and for every student for whom the district has been given proper notice of a diagnoses of adrenal insufficiency. Such a plan will include provisions for administering medication and/or responding to emergency situations while the student is in school, at a school-sponsored activity, under the supervision of school personnel, in before- or after-school care programs on school-owned property and in transit to or from school or school-sponsored activities.

A request for the district to administer prescription medication to a student shall include the written permission of the parent or guardian and shall be accompanied by written instruction from a physician, physician assistant or nurse practitioner. A prescription label prepared by a pharmacist will be deemed sufficient to meet the requirements for a physician's order.

The district reserves the right to reject a request to administer or allow self-administration of a medication when such medication is not necessary for the student to remain in school.

A premeasured dose of epinephrine may be administered by designated, trained district staff to any student or other individual on school premises who the personnel believe, in good faith, is experiencing a severe allergic reaction, regardless of whether the student or individual has a prescription for epinephrine.

A process shall be established by which, upon parent written request, a backup prescribed auto-injectable epinephrine is kept at a reasonable, secured location in the student's classroom as provided by state law.

¹Under proper notice given to the district.

²A registered nurse who is employed by a public or private school may accept an order from a physician licensed to practice medicine or osteopathy in another state or territory of the U.S. if the order is related to the care or treatment of a student who has been enrolled at the school for not more than 90 days

Training shall be provided to designated staff as required by law in accordance with approved protocols as established by the Oregon Health Authority. Staff designated to receive training shall also receive bloodborne pathogens training. Current first-aid and CPR cards are strongly encouraged for designated staff.

Prescription medication will be handled, stored, monitored, disposed of and records maintained in accordance with established district regulations governing administering non-injectable or injectable, or prescription or nonprescription medicines to students including procedures for the disposal of sharps and glass.

The superintendent will ensure student health management plans are developed as required by training protocols, maintained on file and pertinent health information is provided to district staff as appropriate. Such plans will include provisions for administering medication and/or responding to emergency situations while the student is in school, at a school-sponsored activity, under the supervision of school personnel, in before- or after-school care programs on school-owned property and in transit to or from school or school-sponsored activities.

This policy and administrative regulation shall not prohibit, in any way, the administration of recognized first aid to students by district employees in accordance with established state law, Board policy and procedures.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 109.640](#)
[ORS 339.866 to -339.871](#)
[ORS 433.800 to -433.830](#)
[ORS 475.005 to -475.285](#)

[OAR 166-400-0010\(17\)](#)
[OAR 166-400-0060\(29\)](#)
[OAR 333-055-0000 to -0035](#)
[OAR 581-021-0037](#)

[OAR 581-022-0705](#)
[OAR 851-047-0030](#)
[OAR 851-047-0040](#)

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Compulsory Attendance**

Except when exempt by Oregon law, all students between ages 7 and 18 who have not completed the 12th grade are required to attend full-time school on a regular basis at the designated school within the attendance area.

Persons having legal control of a student of ages 7-18 who has not completed the 12th grade, are required to have the student attend school. Under the superintendent's direction and supervision, attendance supervisors shall monitor and report any violation of the compulsory attendance law to the superintendent or designee. Failure to send a student and to maintain a student in regular attendance is a Class C violation.

The district will develop procedures for issuing a citation.

In addition, a parent who is not supervising their student by requiring school attendance may be in violation of Oregon law. Failure to supervise a child is a Class A violation.

Exemptions from Compulsory School Attendance

In the following cases, students shall not be required to attend public schools full-time:

1. Students being taught in a private or parochial school in courses of study usually taught in kindergarten through grade 12 in the public schools, and in attendance for a period equivalent to that required of students attending public schools;
2. Students proving to the Board's satisfaction that they have acquired equivalent knowledge to that acquired in the courses of study taught in kindergarten through grade 12 in the public schools;
3. Students being taught, by a private teacher, the courses of study usually taught in kindergarten through grade 12 in the public school for a period equivalent to that required of students attending public schools;
4. Students being educated in the home by a parent:
 - a. When a student is taught or is withdrawn from a public school to be taught by a parent or private teacher, the parent or teacher must notify the Northwest Regional Education Service District (ESD) in writing within 10 days of such occurrence. In addition, when a home-schooled student moves to a new ESD, the parent shall notify the new ESD in writing, within 10 days, of the intent to continue home schooling. The ESD superintendent shall acknowledge receipt of any notification in writing within 90 days of receipt of the notification. The ESD is to notify, at least annually, school districts of home-schooled students who reside in their district;
 - b. Procedures for home-schooled students with disabilities are set out in OAR 581-021-0029.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 153.018](#)
[ORS 163.577](#)
[ORS 336.615](#) to -336.665
[ORS 339.010](#) to -339.090
[ORS 339.095](#)

[ORS 339.990](#)
[ORS 807.065](#)
[ORS 807.066](#)
[OAR 581-021-0026](#)
[OAR 581-021-0029](#)

[OAR 581-021-0071](#)
[OAR 581-021-0077](#)
SB 321 (2015)

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Criminal Records Checks/Fingerprinting*

In a continuing effort to further ensure the safety and welfare of students and staff, the district shall require criminal records checks and fingerprinting of all newly hired full-time and part-time employees. Others having direct, unsupervised contact with students shall also have criminal records checks and fingerprinting, as required by law.

“Direct, unsupervised contact” means contact with students that provides the person opportunity and probability for personal communication or touch.

In addition to the newly hired employees, such checks shall be required of the following:

1. All district contractors and/or their employees, whether employed part-time or full-time;
2. All contractors and/or their employees who provide early childhood special education or early intervention services in accordance with rules established by the Oregon Department of Education, Child Care Division;
3. Any community college faculty member providing instruction at the site of an early childhood education program or at a school site as part of an early childhood program;
4. An individual who is an employee of a public charter school.

An individual who has failed to disclose the presence of criminal convictions that would not otherwise prevent his/her employment with the district as provided by law may not be employed or contracted with, by the district with administration approval. The district’s use of criminal history must be relevant to the specific requirements of the position, services or employment.

The district shall begin the employment of an individual or terms of a district contractor on a probationary basis pending the return and disposition of criminal records checks and/or fingerprinting.

The superintendent shall develop administrative regulations as necessary to meet the requirements of law.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 181.555](#)

[ORS 326.603](#)

[ORS 326.607](#)

[ORS 336.631](#)

[ORS 342.143](#)

[ORS 342.223](#)

[OAR 414-061-0010](#)

[OAR 581-021-0500](#)

[OAR 581-022-1730](#)

[OAR 584-036-0062](#)

Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e, et. seq. (2012).