

reached and at least two other emergency numbers. These must be on file in the office for just such situations.

### **WHEN NUMBERS CHANGE, PLEASE NOTIFY THE SCHOOL OFFICE IMMEDIATELY.**

In the event of more serious illness or injury and the parent/guardian cannot be reached, the child will be transported to a local hospital by ambulance, accompanied by a school staff member. Parents will be held responsible for any cost involved.

### **First Aid**

Students who become ill or require first aid should report to the office. Only first aid treatment is given, and if needed, the school nurse will be called. In the event of more serious illness or injury, the parents are notified. If parents cannot be reached, the family physician is contacted.

### **Medication Administration**

Prior to the administration of any medication to any student under the age of eighteen (18), written parental consent is required. The consent form shall include authorization to administer the medication and relieve the Board and its employees from civil liability for damages or injuries resulting from the administration of medication to students in accordance with this policy.

Unless authorized to self-administer, students are not allowed to carry any medication while at school. The parent or legal guardian shall bring the student's medication to the nurse, or in the absence of the nurse, to the principal's office. Medications, including those for self-medication, must be in the original container and be properly labeled with the student's name, the ordering provider's name, the name of the medication, the dosage, frequency, and instructions for the administration of the medication, especially if particular times of the day are specified. Additional information accompanying the medication shall state the purpose of the medications, its possible side effects, and any other pertinent instructions (such as storage requirements) or warnings. Medications given three times a day or less, unless ordered by the provider at specific times, will be given at home.

Students who have written permission from their parent or guardian and a licensed health care practitioner to self-administer either an asthma inhaler or auto-injectable epinephrine, or both, and who have a current consent form on file shall be allowed to carry and self-administer such medication while in school, at an on-site school sponsored activity, while traveling to and from school, or at an off-site school sponsored activity. Students are prohibited from sharing, transferring, or in any way diverting his/her medications to any other person. The fact that a student with a completed consent form on file is allowed to carry an asthma inhaler or auto-injectable epinephrine, or both, does not require him/her to have such on his/her person. The parent or guardian of a student who chooses to not carry an asthma inhaler or auto-injectable epinephrine, or both on his/her person shall provide the school with the appropriate medication which shall be immediately available to the student in an emergency.

Non-prescription medications from home may be given to students upon the decision of the nurse/principal. If it is to be given every day, a doctor's order must be on file. Parents must bring the medication in the original container, clearly labeled, age specific and accompanied by a written authorization form signed by the parents or legal guardians that include the student's name, the name of the medication, the dosage, and instructions for administration of the medication. Tylenol will not be dispensed for minor complaints such as: headaches, cramps, unless provided by the parent/guardian with a signed medication release.

Non FDA approved products, herbal/dietary products, medications purchased in foreign countries, or non-traditional preparations (including but not limited to: vitamins, supplements, homeopathic remedies and essential oils) may not be administered by school personnel. The parent/guardian may administer the products so long as the use does not interfere with the health or well-being of other students.

The district's supervising registered nurse shall be responsible for creating both on campus and off campus procedures for administering medications.

Students may be administered Glucagon, insulin, or both in emergency situations by the school nurse or, in the absence of the school nurse, a trained volunteer school employee designated as a care provider, provided the student has: an IHP that provides for the administration of glucagon, insulin, or both in emergency situations; and a current, valid consent form on file from their parent or guardian. A student shall have access to a private area to perform diabetes monitoring and treatment functions as outlined in the student's IHP.

### **Emergency Administration of Epinephrine**

The school nurse for each campus of the district shall keep epinephrine auto-injectors on hand that are suitable for the students the school serves. The school nurse or other school employee designated by the school nurse and certified to administer auto-injector epinephrine, may administer auto-injector epinephrine to those students who the school nurse or other trained school employee, in good faith professionally believes is having a life-threatening anaphylactic reaction.

### **Naloxone Administration**

The Marion School District wishes to prevent opiate-related overdose deaths by making naloxone available on our school campuses. Consistent with Arkansas law, Act 284 of 2017 (SB 142) (Arkansas Code 17-92-101 (16)), the school district has obtained authorization for school personnel to administer naloxone in order to respond to suspected drug overdose occurring in our schools. Naloxone will be safely stored in the school nurse's office at each campus in compliance with drug manufacturer's instructions. Pursuant to Arkansas law, statute 20-13-1804, a healthcare professional or other person acting in good faith who reasonably believes that another person is experiencing an opioid-related drug overdose may administer an opioid antagonist, such as naloxone, and are immune from civil liability, criminal liability, or professional sanctions.



## **Controlled Substances**

The only Schedule II medications that shall be administered to students at school are methylphenidate (Ritalin), dextroamphetamine (Dexedrine), and amphetamine sulfate (Adderall) or closely related medications as determined by the school nurse.

For the student's safety, no student will be allowed to attend school if the student is currently taking any other Schedule II medication than permitted by this policy. Students who are taking Schedule II medications which are not allowed to be brought to school shall be eligible for homebound instruction if provided for in their IEP or 504 plans.

Schedule II controlled substance medications shall be kept in the school nurse's office of each campus and maintained in a double locked cabinet. Controlled substance medications brought to school by student's parent shall have the quantity counted in the presence of the parent/guardian and documented accordingly.

In the absence of the licensed school nurse, the administration of controlled schedule II medications **cannot** be delegated to other staff members. If the school nurse is not present at the time of need, the **parent** may delegate a prescription oral controlled substance administration to a specific designee(s) for the medication indicated and time of administration. Documentation of the parent's designee must be on the student's Individual Healthcare Plan (IHP).

An accountability record of controlled substances must be maintained at least weekly by two persons counting each controlled medication, one being a licensed nurse. Medication discrepancies are to be reported to the local DEA Drug Division.

## **Disposal of Medications**

The school shall not keep outdated medications or any medications past the end of the school year. Parents shall be notified ten (10) days in advance of the school's intention to dispose of any medication. Medications not picked up by the parents or legal guardians within the ten (10) day period shall be disposed of by the school nurse in accordance with current law and regulations.

## **Physical Examinations or Screenings**

The District conducts the following state mandated health screenings:

- Hearing and Vision --- K, 1, 2, 4, 6, 8
- Height and Weight --- K, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10
- Scoliosis --- 6th and 8th grade girls and 8th grade boys

The intent of the exams or screenings is to detect defects in hearing, vision, or other elements of health that would adversely affect the student ability to achieve to his/her full potential. The parent rights, provided under this policy, transfer to the student when the student turns 18 years of age. Except in instances where a student is suspected of having a contagious or infectious disease, parents shall have the right to opt their student out of exams or screenings. In order to opt out, parents must either submit a certificate from a reputable physician that the physician has