

ANAPHYLAXIS

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PREAMBLE

The Board is committed to the principle of providing a safe learning and teaching environment for its students. This includes a duty of care to students who are at risk from life-threatening allergic reactions. Anaphylaxis is the term used to describe a sudden, severe, life-threatening allergic reaction which can be fatal and requires immediate medical emergency measures. While it is impossible to create a risk-free environment, school staff and parent (s) / guardians (s) can design and implement procedures to ensure that students at risk are identified, strategies are in place to minimize the risk of exposure, and staff and key volunteers are trained to respond in an emergency situation.

POLICY

THE PRINCIPAL OF THIS SCHOOL IS RESPONSIBLE FOR DEVELOPING AN INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL PLAN THAT CREATES AND MAINTAINS AS SAFE AND HEALTHY AN ENVIRONMENT AS IS REASONABLY POSSIBLE FOR STUDENTS WHO MAY EXPERIENCE ANAPHYLAXIS, A SUDDEN, SEVERE, LIFE-THREATENING ALLERGIC REACTION. THE PARENT(S)/GUARDIAN(S) OF AN ANAPHYLATIC STUDENT IS A PARTNER IN THIS PROCESS.

potential signs and symptoms, as well as a physician-prescribed emergency treatment plan. This information must be in the school health resource binder. Medical alert information (with an up-to-date photograph of the student) may be posted in high visibility locations that all staff have access to, including any room used on a regular basis by the student.

4. All staff shall be informed and aware of the threat of allergic shock and know the location of the autoinjector.