

Cranston Public Schools
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MEDICATION POLICY

The following operating procedures serve as a guide for those extreme cases where it is necessary that medication be administered at school. Medication may be taken by students at school under the following circumstances:

- A. A document is on file in the school from a physician indicating permission for the student to receive the drug. The document must identify the drug, indicate the proper dosage, route, and when it is to be given.
- B. A document is on file in the school office from the parent/guardian indicating that the student may receive the medication.
- C. A student may be authorized to self-carry and/or self-medicate in school (excludes controlled substances).*
- D. Over the counter medication will not be administered under any circumstances unless the above procedure is followed.
- E. The document on file in the school office from the physician and parent/guardian must be renewed each school year.
- F. Medication must be in a properly labeled container from the pharmacy.
- G. Medication must be brought to and from school by the parent/guardian.
- H. All medication stored within the school building must be locked inside a cabinet or safe.
- I. Medication will not be administered until the school nurse verifies that the requirements are met.
- J. Unless student is authorized to self-carry and/or self-medicate, medication must be administered by the school nurse or parent/guardian.
- K. The School Nurse is authorized to consult the prescribing physician on any matters relating to the medication order.

This Medication Policy is reviewed and approved annually by the School Physicians.

*See Off-Site School Sponsored Activity policy