

(4) "SELF-ADMINISTER" MEANS THE APPLICATION OR CONSUMPTION OF MEDICATION IN A MANNER DIRECTED BY THE HEALTH PRACTITIONER WITHOUT ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE OR DIRECTION.

(B) (1) SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBSECTION, EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM SHALL ADOPT A WRITTEN POLICY AUTHORIZING A STUDENT TO POSSESS AND SELF-ADMINISTER MEDICATION WHILE:

- (I) IN SCHOOL;
- (II) AT SCHOOL-SPONSORED ACTIVITIES; OR
- (III) ON A SCHOOL BUS OR OTHER SCHOOL PROPERTY.

(2) (I) A STUDENT WHO SELF-ADMINISTERS MEDICATION MUST HAVE ~~THE A~~ PRIOR WRITTEN ~~APPROVAL OF~~ ORDER FROM THE STUDENT'S HEALTH CARE PROVIDER AND, IF THE STUDENT IS A MINOR, THE PRIOR WRITTEN APPROVAL OF THE STUDENT'S PARENT OR GUARDIAN.

(II) THE HEALTH CARE PROVIDER'S ORDER MUST BE MAINTAINED IN THE STUDENT'S EDUCATIONAL RECORD AT THE SCHOOL.

(3) A STUDENT'S PARENT OR GUARDIAN MUST OBTAIN WRITTEN VERIFICATION FROM THE STUDENT'S HEALTH CARE PROVIDER CONFIRMING THAT THE STUDENT HAS THE KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS TO SAFELY POSSESS AND SELF-ADMINISTER THE MEDICATION.

(4) THE WRITTEN STATEMENTS REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE PROVIDED TO THE SCHOOL AT LEAST ANNUALLY.

(5) THE SCHOOL NURSE SHALL ~~REVIEW~~ ASSESS THE STUDENT'S ~~TECHNIQUE~~ ABILITY TO DEMONSTRATE THE SKILL LEVEL NECESSARY TO ENSURE PROPER AND EFFECTIVE USE OF THE MEDICATION IN SCHOOL.

(6) A STUDENT MAY BE SUBJECT TO DISCIPLINARY ACTION IF THE STUDENT ~~USES MEDICATION IN A MANNER OTHER THAN AS PRESCRIBED~~ DOES NOT USE THE MEDICATION IN A SAFE AND PROPER MANNER.

(C) ~~THE STATE BOARD SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS~~ DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM WITH WRITTEN STATE GUIDELINES TO IMPLEMENT THIS SECTION.

SECTION 2: AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2005.

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