Students

Administering Medication in School Setting

Medications may be administered to students in the school setting in keeping with this policy and accompanying regulations. Written instructions from a physician, which include the name of the pupil, name of the medication, dosage of the medication, and time the medication is to be administered to the pupil shall accompany the request and be kept on record by the school. The Revised School Code, section 380.1178 states, "a school administrator, teacher or other school employee designated by the school administrator, who in good faith administers medication to a pupil in the presence of another adult or in an emergency that threatens the life or health of the pupil, pursuant to written permission of the pupil's parents or guardians, and in compliance with the instructions of a physician is not liable in a criminal action or for civil damages, as a result of the administration except for an act or omission amounting to gross negligence or willful and wanton misconduct." School nurses may dispense medication without another adult being present with written permission from a physician.

Each building must have a plan for handling medical emergencies.

The accompanying regulations to this policy specify the procedures to be used by school employees in administering medication in the school setting.

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