

DODGELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board Policy Manual

453.61

MANAGING STUDENT ALLERGIES

The Dodgeland School District recognizes the seriousness of adverse allergy reactions and recognizes that allergic reactions can escalate into life-threatening medical conditions. The District cannot guarantee an allergy free environment, but will make every reasonable effort to reduce the risk of exposure to allergens in the school environment and while students are engaged in school-sponsored activities on and off school premises.

The District will be responsible for working with individual students who have serious adverse allergy conditions and their parents/guardians to develop and implement allergy action plans. The District will also implement system-wide practices to minimize the presence of allergens in the school environment and to increase the capacity of all district employees to understand, prevent and respond to adverse allergy-related incidents. The District will use a proactive, comprehensive, team approach to work toward the following goals:

- Provide a safe and healthy learning environment for all students;
- Provide students with allergies full access to school activities;
- Reduce the likelihood of severe or potentially life-threatening allergic reactions;
- Ensure rapid and effective responses to severe or potentially life-threatening allergic reactions; and
- Provide appropriate, continuing allergy management-related education and training to District employees.

When appropriate or required by law, each student with a serious, disabling, and/or life-threatening allergy condition shall have an individual allergy action plan based on the student's individual needs and treatment protocol as prescribed by the student's health care provider for use in the school and school-related settings. An individual allergy action plan shall be established through the office of the School Nurse, except as otherwise required by law. When an allergy action plan is incorporated into a 504 Plan or individual education plan (IEP) the plan will be established in accordance with all applicable state and federal laws, and in consultation with the School Nurse.

The District expects that all school personnel, students, and parents/guardians will work cooperatively to accomplish the goals of this policy and will demonstrate respect and an understanding for students with adverse allergy conditions.

LEGAL REF.: Sections 118.125 Wisconsin Statutes
 118.29
 121.02(1)(g)
 Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act
 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
 Americans with Disabilities Act

CROSS REF.: 453.61 – Rule, Procedures for Managing Student Allergies
 347, Student Records
 411, Equal Educational Opportunities
 453.1, Emergency Nursing Services
 453.4, Administering Medication to Students
 720, School Safety Program
 Section 504 Plan
 Special Education Policy and Procedure Handbook

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