

Southwest Vermont Regional Technical School District	MEDICATION IN SCHOOL	Policy #5176C
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It is the policy of the Southwest Vermont Regional Technical School District to recognize that at the present time many students are able to attend regular school because of the effective use of prescribed medication in the treatment of chronic disabilities or illnesses. While it is more desirable for medication to be administered in the home; any student who is required to take prescribed medication during the regular school day must comply with the following regulations.

1. Prescription Medication:

a. Written orders from a physician detailing the name of the student, the drug dosage, reason for giving, and time medication is to be given must be received by the home School Nurse and/or designee and communicated to the CDC for administration at the CDC.

b. A renewal of a long-term medication order is required each school year.

c. Prescription medications will be given in school only with written permission from the parent(s) /guardian(s) as well as prescribing physician.

d. Students with the following disorders - i.e. asthma, history of anaphylaxis, cystic fibrosis and diabetes who have demonstrated responsibility for self-administering their medications shall be allowed to continue with the written permission of the prescribing physician and parent. This privilege may be withdrawn at the discretion of the school nurse if student safety is compromised. The parent/guardian and physician will be notified.

e. Medication will be dispensed by the school nurse or a person trained by the school nurse. Medication must be provided in its original container labeled with the students name, dosage, and directions. Medications will be locked in the health office or designated area (except those listed in #4.)

f. Unused medication shall be destroyed or returned to parent-guardian for disposition.

g. Emancipated minors or students 18 years or older will not be required to provide permission from parents or guardian but will be required to follow all other aspects of this policy if medication is to be taken at school.

h. Administration of medication shall be recorded (indicating time and dosage) by school personnel administering the medication. The record shall note student's name, medication, time, dosage, and initials of person administering the medicine.

2 Non-Prescription Medication:

a. Non-prescription medications will be administered only after a permission form has been signed by the parent. Non-prescription medication must be left at the health room.

- b. No aspirin will be given in school because of its possible association with Reye's Syndrome.
- c. Emancipated minors or students 18 years or older will not be required to provide permission from parents or guardians but will be required to follow all other aspects of this policy if medication is to be taken at school.
- d. Administration of medication shall be recorded (indicating time and dosage) by school personnel administering the medication. The record shall note student's name, medication, time, dosage, and initials of person administering the medicine.

Noted in: Standards of Practice School Health Services 1986

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