



***Center Area  
School District***

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: USE OF MEDICATIONS

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210. USE OF MEDICATIONS	
1. Purpose	The Board shall not be responsible for the diagnosis and treatment of student illness. The administration of prescribed medication in accordance with the direction of a parent or family physician to a student during school hours will be permitted only when failure to take such medicine would jeopardize the health of the student or the student would not be able to attend school if the medicine were not made available during school hours.
2. Definition	For purposes of this policy, "medication" shall include all medicines prescribed by a physician, any patent drug, aspirin, or cough medications.
3. Authority	Before any medication may be administered to any student during school hours, the Board shall require the written request of the parent which shall give permission for such administration and relieve the Board and its employees of liability for administration of medication; and the written order of the prescribing physician which shall include the purpose of the medication, dosage, the time at which or special circumstances under which the medication shall be administered, length of period for which medication is prescribed, and possible side effects of medication. All medications including over-the-counter must have written order from their physician. The document(s) shall be kept on file in the office of the school nurse.
4. Delegation of Responsibility	The Superintendent shall develop procedures for the administration of medication, which provide that all medications shall be administered by the school nurse or designee or by the student him/herself, where the family physician so directs.