

WOODFORD COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
AGENDA ITEM

ITEM #: **VIIIK** DATE: August 16, 2023

TOPIC/TITLE: Emergency Medical Treatment Policy Amendment

PRESENTER: Garet Wells **GW**

ORIGIN:

- TOPIC PRESENTED FOR INFORMATION ONLY (No board action required.)
- ACTION REQUESTED AT THIS MEETING
- ITEM IS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR APPROVAL
- ACTION REQUESTED AT FUTURE MEETING: (DATE)
- BOARD REVIEW REQUIRED BY

- STATE OR FEDERAL LAW OR REGULATION
- BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY
- OTHER:

PREVIOUS REVIEW, DISCUSSION OR ACTION:

- NO PREVIOUS BOARD REVIEW, DISCUSSION OR ACTION
- PREVIOUS REVIEW OR ACTION

- DATE:
- ACTION:

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

KRS 217.186 states, in part, "A person or... a school employee authorized to administer medication under KRS 156.502, may: (a) Receive a prescription for an opioid antagonist; (b) Possess an opioid antagonist pursuant to this subsection and any equipment needed for its administration; (c) Administer an opioid antagonist to an individual suffering from an apparent opioid-related overdose; and (d) Provide, as part of a harm reduction program, an opioid antagonist to persons who have been trained on the mechanism and circumstances of its administration.

SUMMARY OF MAJOR ELEMENTS:

Requesting the Board approve the policy amendment to allow for Naloxone (Narcan) to be stocked at schools and administered as needed in the event of an opioid overdose.

IMPACT ON RESOURCES:

TIMETABLE FOR FURTHER REVIEW OR ACTION:

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:  Recommended  Not Recommended



## **Emergency Medical Treatment**

### **FIRST AID TO BE PROVIDED**

First aid shall be provided all pupils in case of an accident or sudden illness until the services of a health care professional become available.

### **EPINEPHRINE**

District schools may maintain epinephrine for administration to students who may have a life-threatening allergic reaction but have no written individual health plan in place. Epinephrine for such instances shall be administered following the protocols developed by the Kentucky Department of Public Health.

Epinephrine shall be stored in a minimum of two (2) locations in the school, including but not limited to the school office and the school cafeteria and shall keep epinephrine auto-injectors in a secure, accessible, but unlocked location. Staff should be made aware of the storage location in each school.

### **FIRSTAID AREA**

A firstaid area with appropriate equipment, supplies, and provisions for the child to recline shall be designated in each school. At least two (2) adult employees in the school at least one (1) of whom shall be present at the school at all times during school hours, shall have completed and been certified in a standard first aid course that includes CPR for infants and children.

The District shall have employees trained in accordance with the law to administer or help administer emergency medications.

When enrolled students, for whom documentation under KRS 158.838, including seizure action plans, has been provided to the school, are present during school hours or as participants in school-related activities, a school employee who has been appropriately trained to administer or assist with the self-administration of glucagon, insulin, seizure rescue medications, or medication prescribed to treat seizure disorder symptoms approved by the FDA and administered pursuant to a student's seizure action plan, shall be present.

### **AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS (AEDS)**

The District shall maintain a portable AED in a public, readily accessible, well-marked location in every middle and high school building and, as funds become available, at school-sanctioned middle and high school athletic practices and competitions. A minimum of three (3) employees in the school and all interscholastic athletic coaches shall be trained on the use of a portable AED.<sup>2</sup>

### **OPIOID ANTAGONIST**

District schools may maintain an opioid antagonist for administration to individuals who may experience a life-threatening, opioid overdose. An opioid antagonist for such instances shall be administered following the protocols developed by the Kentucky Department of Public Health.

### **INFORMATION NEEDED**

A number at which parents can be reached and the name of the family physician shall be maintained at the school for all its pupils.<sup>1</sup> Parents will be notified in the event of an accident.

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### **EMERGENCY CARE PROCEDURES**

Schools shall have emergency care procedures comporting with regulation<sup>1</sup> and may utilize the Kentucky Department of Education's Health Services Reference Guide (HSRG) as a resource.

When an emergency arises and the student's parent/guardian or designee cannot be reached in a timely manner, the school will take action necessary to maintain the student's health, such as calling emergency medical personnel or taking the student to a health care facility. In such instances, school personnel shall notify health professionals of any medications that they are aware the student is taking.

### **REFERENCES:**

<sup>1</sup>702 KAR 1:160

<sup>2</sup>KRS 158.162

KRS 156.502; KRS 158.836; KRS 158.838

KRS 217.186

Kentucky Department of Education Health Services Reference Guide (HSRG)

### **RELATED POLICIES:**

05.4; 09.2; 09.22; 09.2241

**School Board Policies****TOPICS**

The Board shall file in the Board's office its policies including, but not limited to, the following matters:

1. Transportation of pupils;
2. Discipline and conduct of pupils;
3. Limitations or restrictions on use of school facilities;
4. Conduct of meeting of the Board; including policies on the calling of executive sessions;
5. Personnel policies that apply to certified employees including duties, fringe benefits, salary schedules, non-classroom duties, professional development, teacher-student ratio, hiring, assignment, transfer, dismissal, suspension, reinstatement, promotion and demotion;
6. Employment and evaluation of the Superintendent of schools;
7. Identification and statement of District goals and objectives and establishment of criteria to determine District progress;
8. Evaluation of certified employees;
9. Selection of textbooks and instructional materials;
10. Expenditure and accounting for school funds, including all special funds; and
11. Policies dealing with school-based decision making.<sup>1</sup>

**INTENTION**

It is intended that these policies shall cover matters within the authority and discretion of the Board and not matters otherwise required by law or regulation.<sup>1</sup>

**UPDATING**

Such policies shall be kept up-to-date by filing annual amendments thereto by August 15 and shall be public records.<sup>1</sup>

**ENACTMENT OF POLICY**

\* Except when indicated by an emergency situation, the Board will not enact or revise policy in the same meeting that it is initially introduced. Additional readings shall not be required if the Board amends the policy proposal under consideration at either the first or second reading.

**DISSEMINATION OF POLICY**

The Superintendent shall develop and implement a system whereby each employee or student shall have access to Board policies. In addition, each new Board member shall be provided with a copy of the Board policy manual and/or access to the District's online manual.

All Board policies shall be reasonably accessible to all District personnel and to the public at large.

**School Board Policies**

**MAINTENANCE OF POLICY MANUALS**

All copies of the official policy manual shall be numbered, housed in specified locations, and kept current through a system developed and implemented by the Superintendent.

**POLICIES ARE BINDING**

All policies of the Board are binding on employees of the District, schools, students, and on the Board itself.<sup>2</sup> Employees and students who fail to comply with Board policies may be subject to disciplinary action.

Exception: Policy exemptions may apply to a participating school of innovation as specified in the District's application for district of innovation status as approved by the Kentucky Board of Education.<sup>3</sup>

Exception: In the areas specified by KRS 160.345, councils may adopt school policies that differ from Board policy.

**REFERENCES:**

<sup>1</sup>KRS 160.340

<sup>2</sup>KRS 160.290

<sup>3</sup>KRS 156.108

KRS 160.107

KRS 160.345

**RELATED POLICIES:**

01.0

01.11

01.6

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Adopted/Amended: 8/27/2012

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