

Subject: Medications for Students **Effective Date:** February 14, 2019 **Approved By:** Board of Directors

Policy: 5005.1

Any student who is required to take, prescribed or over the counter medication, medical test, or treatment, during the regular school day, may be assisted by school personnel. Before a student receives assistance with the administration of prescription including over-the-counter medication, medical monitoring or medical test, the Charter School's policy requires:

- 1. A signed authorization from a parent or guardian that requesting the charter school to assist the student with the administration of medication, medical test, or treatment.
- 2. Specific dosage, method of administration and the time scheduled.

Prescription medication or treatment containers must be labeled by a California pharmacy. The label must indicate the student's name, the name of the prescribing physician, time of administration, the symptoms for which the medication is to be administered, dosage, expiration date, and telephone number of the pharmacy. Over-the-counter medications must in the original container. The parent or guardian should personally deliver medication, medical test or treatment equipment and supplies to school or send with a designated adult that is identified and authorized by the parent or guardian in writing.

A pupil may carry and self-administer prescription inhaled asthma medication or auto-injectable epinephrine provided the following are provided to the school:

- 1. A medical order from the physician with the name of the medication, method of administration, dosage, and time the medication is to be taken, with confirmation that the pupil is able to self-administer his or her inhaler or autoinjectable epinephrine.
- 2. A release of information from the parent, guardian or foster parent for the

school nurse or other designated school personnel to consult with the health care provider of the pupil regarding any questions that may arise with regard to the medication and releasing the school district and charter school from civil liability if the self-administering pupil suffers an adverse reaction by taking medication pursuant to this section.

At the conclusion of the school year, a parent, guardian or designated adult should take all remaining medication home. All medication not picked up in the school office will be destroyed.

IN SUMMARY:

- 1. All medication requires a Physician's Order with a doctor's instruction and signature.
- 2. School forms for doctor and parent instructions for medication are available in the office and on the Springs Charter School website (www.springscharterschools.org).
- 3. Students MAY NOT transport or carry medications, whether over-the-counter or prescription drugs.
- 4. Parents must take responsibility for supplying the needed medications to the school.
- 5. The prescription bottle MUST match the doctor's orders provided for the school.