
SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 36 (SURREY)

No. 9601

POLICY: TREATMENT OF STUDENTS WITH A KNOWN RISK OF ANAPHYLAXIS / LIFE-THREATENING ALLERGIES

The Board is committed to providing a level of care that will ensure the safety and well-being of students with a known risk of anaphylaxis/life-threatening allergies. Given the severe consequences of anaphylaxis, effective training, management and response is very important. It is necessary for parents/guardians, school administrators, staff, students and others to share in these responsibilities, to provide a safe environment in schools along with prompt appropriate response to any crisis that may develop.

While it is impossible to completely eliminate all potential allergens from the school environment, strategies to *minimize risk*, including identification of individuals at-risk, recognition of symptoms, potential triggers and regulations around emergency response (*Anaphylaxis Emergency Plan*) are essential to set standards and provide for consistency among all schools and for all students. It should be noted that any food, non-food item (i.e. plant, latex, etc.) or scent could trigger an anaphylactic reaction.

The Board expects staff will be provided training, as appropriate, to recognize symptoms and respond effectively.

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