



**Official Policy  
of  
Ogden Preparatory Academy**

**7. Students**

**7.04.POL Administration of Medication Policy**

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**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this policy is to authorize personnel of Ogden Preparatory Academy (the "School") to administer medication to students consistent with applicable law.

The School's Board of Directors (the "Board") acknowledges that a student or the student's parent or guardian should typically administer medication. However, the Board recognizes that situations may arise where the health of a student may require administration of medication during the course of a school day by School personnel.

As long as authorized personnel act in a prudent and responsible manner, Utah law provides that School personnel who provide assistance in substantial compliance with a student's licensed health care provider's written statement are not liable civilly or criminally for any adverse reaction suffered by the student as a result of taking the medication or discontinuing the administration of medication. The Board hopes that this policy will help ensure that School personnel act in a prudent and responsible manner in order to protect the health of students and the interests of School personnel.

The Board also desires to set forth policies regarding acceptable self-administration of medication by students.

**POLICY**

**Administration of Medication by School Personnel**

The School will comply with applicable state and federal laws, including but not limited to Utah Code Ann. § 53A-11-601, regarding the administration of medication to students by School personnel. Accordingly, pursuant to this policy, authorized School personnel may provide assistance in the administration of medication to students of the School during periods when the student is under the School's control.

Glucagon is an emergency diabetic medication used to raise blood sugar. The School will comply with the requirements of Utah Code Ann. § 53A-11-604 in the event the School receives a glucagon authorization request from the parent or guardian of a student.

The School will comply with the requirements of Utah Code Ann. § 26-41-101, et seq., regarding emergency injection for anaphylactic reactions, in the event any School personnel seeks to become a "qualified adult" under that provision.

The Principal will establish administrative procedures that comply with applicable laws in order to set guidelines for when and how this will take place.

The Principal will consult with the local health department and/or a registered health care professional for assistance in developing procedures and training necessary for effective implementation of this policy. The School's Principal will ensure that School personnel and parents are provided with information about this policy as needed.

#### Self-Administration of Medication by Students

Students may possess and self-administer prescription medication at school in compliance with applicable law. The Principal will establish administrative procedures that comply with applicable laws in order to set guidelines for when and how this will take place.

Students are not prohibited from possessing and self-administering one day's dosage of a non-prescription medication where the student's maturity level is such that he or she can reasonably be expected to properly administer the medication on his or her own.

#### Medical Recommendations by School Personnel

The Principal will ensure that appropriate School personnel receive training on the provisions of Utah Code Ann. §53A-11-605 regarding medical recommendations by School employees.

#### Document History

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#### Legal References

Utah Code Ann. § 53A-11-601

Utah Code Ann. § 53A-11-604

Utah Code Ann. § 53A-11-605

Utah Code Ann. § 26-41-101, et seq.