

PARENT/GUARDIAN ADMINISTRATION OF MARIJUANA FOR MEDICAL PURPOSES

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It is the policy of the Seattle School Board to permit students with a valid Washington recognition card for medical marijuana under RCW 69.51A.220 to be administered marijuana-infused products on school grounds, aboard a school bus, or while attending a school-sponsored event by their parent/guardian in accordance with this policy and Washington law. Marijuana-infused products are products that contain marijuana or marijuana extracts, are intended for human use, are derived from marijuana, and have a THC concentration no greater than ten percent.

In order for a parent/guardian to administer marijuana-infused products to their student, the school will first verify that the student and parent/guardian meet the statutory requirements by requiring presentation of a valid Washington recognition card for medical marijuana. The parent/guardian of a student meeting the statutory requirements to consume marijuana-infused products for medical purposes on school grounds are the only persons who may provide, administer, or assist the student with the consumption of a marijuana-infused product. Schools will never store, and school staff will never administer, marijuana-infused products.

Under this Policy, a parent/guardian may administer marijuana-infused products, but the smoking or vaping of marijuana is strictly prohibited. After administering a marijuana-infused product to their qualified student, the parent/guardian will remove any remaining marijuana—infused product from school or district grounds, school bus, or school-sponsored event. The district may limit or revoke permission for the parent/guardian of a qualifying student to administer marijuana for medical purposes if the parent/guardian or qualified student violates this Policy or demonstrates an inability to follow this Policy's parameters.

No student is permitted to possess or self-administer marijuana for any purpose including medical. Students with a recognition card who possess or self-administer marijuana may be subject to discipline just as any other student without a recognition card would be.

When a school-sponsored event occurs at another Washington public school, the location identified by that school will serve as the location for parent/guardian administration of a marijuana-infused product. However, school-sponsored

events that occur outside the state of Washington or on federal property are not subject to Washington law and cannot be included in the scope of this policy.

The Superintendent or their designee is granted the authority to establish procedures for this Policy to:

- A. Identify a location on school grounds where the parent/guardian can administer the marijuana-infused product to the student, considering the feasibility and the needs for privacy, specifically a location that does not create the risk of disruption to the educational environment or exposure to other students;
- B. Verify the student is authorized to use marijuana for medical purposes and the parent/guardian is acting as the designated provider for the student pursuant to RCW 69.51A.220; and
- C. Address circumstances where a school-sponsored event occurs in a place of public accommodation in Washington.

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Cross Reference: Policy Nos. 3416; 5201 Related Superintendent Procedure:

Previous Policies:

Legal References: RCW 28A.210.325 Medical Use of marijuana-infused products -

Administration by parent or guardian – School districts to develop policies; Chapter 69.51A RCW

Medical Cannabis; RCW 69.50.101 Definitions

Management Resources: Policy & Legal News, July 2019