## FOOD ALLERGY MANAGEMENT Students At Risk for Anaphylaxis

POLICY: Senate Bill 27 from the 82<sup>nd</sup> Legislative Session requires districts to develop and implement a Food Allergy Management Plan that includes general procedures to limit the risk posed to students with food allergies at risk for anaphylaxis.

## **PROCEDURE:**

- Upon enrollment, parents/guardians are required to complete a form disclosing whether the child has a food allergy or a severe food allergy and to specify the food as well as the nature of the allergic reaction (TEC Chapter 25 Section 25.0022)
- Additionally, the Skyward Health and Emergency Card completed by parent/guardian yearly inquires specifically about allergies and the severity of reaction
- The Registered Nurse will collaborate with the parent/guardian and physician to develop an Emergency Action Plan as appropriate
- Allergy Awareness training will be provided to LISD campus employees annually, and will include the suggested elements provided by the Department of State Health Services *Guidelines for the Care of Students with Food Allergies At-Risk for Anaphylaxis*
- More comprehensive training will be provided to staff members responsible for the care of individual students
- Students identified as at risk for anaphylaxis will be referred for 504 for development of a Food Allergy Action Plan and IHP as indicated
  - Strategies used to reduce the risk of exposure may include:
    - Limiting reducing and/or eliminating food from classrooms and other learning environments
    - Notifying and educating staff and parents of the need to limit foods
    - Implementing appropriate cleaning protocols
    - Coordination of field trips and out of school activities with parent/guardian, registered nurse and teacher to assure student safety

## **References:**

The 82<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Texas Legislature; Senate Bill 27

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