

## Asthma Management

The Governing Board desires to provide support systems for students with asthma in order to reduce school absences, help ensure that such students receive appropriate intervention if symptoms occur at school, and enable them to participate in the educational program and school activities to the extent possible.

*(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)*  
*(cf. 6142.7 - Physical Education)*  
*(cf. 6145 - Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities)*  
*(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)*

The Superintendent or designee shall involve school nurses, other health professionals, school administrators, and health educators in the development of strategies to help provide a healthy and safe school environment for students with asthma. He/she may also involve school health councils or committees and other interested persons to ensure that the district's strategies are coordinated with other school health programs and practices.

*(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)*  
*(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)*

District strategies shall include, but not be limited to, procedures for identifying and addressing individual student needs, providing effective professional development on asthma symptoms and staff responsibilities, and identifying and reducing environmental factors at schools that may trigger and/or worsen asthma symptoms.

*(cf. 3513.3 - Tobacco-Free Schools)*  
*(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)*  
*(cf. 3514.2 - Integrated Pest Management)*  
*(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)*  
*(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)*  
*(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)*  
*(cf. 5141 - Health Care and Emergencies)*  
*(cf. 5141.21 - Administering Medication and Monitoring Health Conditions)*  
*(cf. 5141.24 - Specialized Health Care Services)*  
*(cf. 5141.27 - Food Allergies/Special Dietary Needs)*  
*(cf. 5141.3 - Health Examinations)*  
*(cf. 5141.6 - Student Health and Social Services)*  
*(cf. 6142.8 - Comprehensive Health Education)*  
*(cf. 6159 - Individualized Education Program)*  
*(cf. 6163.2 - Animals at School)*  
*(cf. 6164.6 - Identification and Education Under Section 504)*

*Legal Reference:*

**EDUCATION CODE**

49407 *Liability for treatment*

49408 *Emergency information*

49414.5 *Providing school personnel with voluntary emergency training*

49423-49423.1 *Administration of prescribed medication for student*

49423.5 *Specialized health care services*

49426 *School nurses*

49480 *Continuing medication regimen; notice*

51880-51921 *Comprehensive health education*

**CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5**

600-611 *Administering medication to students*

**UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20**

1232g *Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974*

1400-1482 *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act*

**UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29**

794 *Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504*

**UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42**

280g *Children's asthma treatment grant program*

**Management Resources:****CSBA PUBLICATIONS**

*Asthma Management in the Schools, Policy Brief, March 2008*

**CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES PUBLICATIONS**

*Asthma Action Plan for Schools and Families, January 2007*

*Guidelines for the Management of Asthma in California Schools, April 2004*

**CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION PUBLICATIONS**

*Managing Asthma in Schools — What Have We Learned?, August 2006*

**U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY PUBLICATIONS**

*Indoor Air Quality Tools for Schools*

**WEB SITES**

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

American Lung Association: <http://www.lungusa.org>

American School Health Association: <http://www.ashaweb.org>

California Asthma Public Health Initiative: <http://caasthma.org>

California Department of Public Health: <http://www.cdph.ca.gov>

California School Nurses Organization: <http://www.csno.org>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: <http://www.cdc.gov/asthma>

National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute:

<http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/public/lung/index.htm#asthma>

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA): <http://www.epa.gov/asthma>