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Prior to attendance at school, and at least annually, the parent/guardian of each student with a life-threatening health condition shall present a medication or treatment order from the student's physician addressing the condition. In addition an Individual Health Plan shall be put in place based on recommendations from the student's physician.

#### **A DEFINITIONS**

1. Life-Threatening Health Condition: A condition that will put a child in danger of death during the school day if a medication or treatment order and an Individual Health Plan are not in place.
2. Individual Health Plan (IHP): A care plan developed by the school, in conjunction with the parent or guardian, and the student's physician, to ensure the student's continued health and safety at school. The IHP will be distributed to appropriate staff members. It will be reviewed annually or as needed.

#### **B. PREPARATION FOR SCHOOL ENTRY**

1. Prior to attendance at school, the parent or guardian of a student with a life-threatening condition must provide to the school a copy of the medication or treatment order addressing the condition.
2. If indicated, medication and equipment will be delivered to school by parent/guardian along with required paperwork prior to entry.
3. Upon receiving the appropriate information from the student's physician and parent or guardian, an Individual Health Plan will be created. All staff is trained in CPR and in the administration of an EpiPen.
4. If it is determined that the Carden School of Fresno does not have the ability to meet the special health needs of a student the student will not be accepted or if a current student's needs cannot be met the student will be dismissed from school.

#### **C. NOTIFICATION OF PARENT/GUARDIAN**

A student who is known to have a life-threatening condition must present a medication or treatment order in order to develop an Individual Health Plan prior to the first day of school attendance. If the student arrives at school without a medication or treatment order, the following due process procedures apply:

1. The school will notify the parent or guardian stating that the student must have a medication or treatment order in order to attend school;
2. The notification will indicate that the exclusion is effective immediately and the student must be picked up from school;
3. A written notice will explain the Life-Threatening Health Condition policy and procedures;

#### **D. REINSTATEMENT**

The student shall immediately be allowed to return to school upon the receipt of either a medication or treatment order, and any medication or equipment identified in the order as necessary to carry out the order in conjunction with creation of an Individual Health Plan.