



Related Policies

CECG Medical Welfare of Students
SFX Dispensing of Medication
SFX First Aid

Purpose

To ensure the safety and provide guidelines for the care and management of students with asthma.

Policy

St Francis Xavier College (SFX) is classified as an asthma friendly school and every student must have an Asthma Management and Emergency Treatment Plan. This plan will be reviewed at the start of each school year. Parents will be requested to communicate any changes to the plan each term. To limit the occurrence of asthma attacks aerosols and other propellant sprays are prohibited to be used at the College.

Definitions

For the purposes of this Policy:

Aerosols are sprays, deodorants or other products with strong scents, particularly those that are distributed with propellant agents. is the Blacktop. This assembly point should be used if the oval becomes compromised or unsafe.

Asthma is a medical condition symptomatic of varying degrees of breathing difficulty caused by narrowing of airways upon exposure to certain triggers. Triggers can include but are not limited to allergens such as dust, pollen and animal hair, smoke, aerosols and exercise.

Procedures

The following procedures must be implemented to manage asthma for students of the College:

- Parents are required to update their child's medical information at the start of each year.
- Medical information forms must be collected from all incoming Year 7 students each year
- Student Records staff must communicate with parents each semester requesting any updates to medical information
- Students with a history of asthma must always carry their bronchodilator.
- If a student suffers a severe asthma event an ambulance will be called immediately, and the Standard Asthma First Aid Plan or the individual's Asthma Emergency Treatment Plan, as provided by parents, will be followed.
- Asthma First Aid posters must be displayed throughout the College.
- Where possible, and as far as can be ascertained, only asthma friendly products will be used at the College.
- All sprays (including pump and aerosol) are banned from the College. This includes perfume, aftershave, deodorant and eau-de-toilette products.
- Staff must be made aware of students who are susceptible to exercise-induced asthma and follow protocols to support such students, especially in Physical Education classes.

References



Forms

Asthma Management Plan
Emergency Treatment Plan

Information

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