

# ST JOHN REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

## AUTHORIZATION FOR MANAGEMENT OF ANAPHYLAXIS

This order is valid only for the current school year \_\_\_\_\_

\*911 will be called while the student, health staff or school staff administers the epinephrine

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| <b>Name:</b> _____ | <b>Date of Birth:</b> _____ | <b>Grade:</b> _____ |
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### HEALTH CARE PROVIDER AUTHORIZATION

**Administer Medication for the Following Allergen(s):**

- insect sting/bite: \_\_\_\_\_     
  ingestion of: \_\_\_\_\_     
  contact with: \_\_\_\_\_  
 unknown etiology (specify signs/symptoms): \_\_\_\_\_

**Administer the Following Medication(s) Immediately:**

- Epinephrine only
- Epinephrine and then adjunct medication(s)
- Adjunct medication(s) if no signs or symptoms are present:
  - Call parent/guardian to pick up student from school and to follow up with HCP.
  - Proceed with epinephrine if 1 or more of the following signs/symptoms is seen:

LUNG: difficulty breathing, repetitive/hacking cough, audible wheezing  
 THROAT: itching and/or tightness of throat, difficulty swallowing  
 MOUTH/FACE: swelling and/or tingling of lips, tongue, mouth; swelling of eyes  
 SKIN: many hives over the body  
 GUT: diarrhea, stomach pain and/or cramping, vomiting

- A second dose of epinephrine will be administered in 5-10 minutes if EMS has not arrived.
- \*\*NOTE: Parent/guardian must provide a second dose of epinephrine.

#### Medication(s) Ordered:

|                               |                                       |   |                                |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| <b>Epinephrine:</b>           | <i>single dose auto-injector only</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> 0.15 mg<br><input type="checkbox"/> 0.30 mg  | IM                             |
| <b>Adjunct Medication(s):</b> | <b>Antihistamine</b>                  | <input type="checkbox"/> 12.5 mg <input type="checkbox"/> 50 mg<br><input type="checkbox"/> Diphenhydramine <input type="checkbox"/> _____ mg | Oral                           |
|                               | <b>Other</b>                          | <input type="checkbox"/> _____  | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |

- Student is competent to self-carry emergency medications     
  Student is competent to self-administer emergency medications

**Possible Medication Side Effects:**

EPINEPHRINE: palpitations, rapid heart rate, sweating, nausea and vomiting  
 ANTIHISTAMINE: drowsiness, sedation, sleepiness, dizziness, restlessness, hypotension, palpitations  
 OTHER: \_\_\_\_\_

*Health Care Provider Stamp*

**Health Care Provider's Name/Title:** (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Health Care Provider's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

### PARENT/GUARDIAN AUTHORIZATION

I request designated personnel to administer the medication as prescribed by the health care provider above. I certify that I have legal authority to consent to the administration of medication at school and understand that the health care provider will be contacted if questions arise regarding the student's medication order.

**Primary Contact Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**2<sup>nd</sup> Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

### REGISTERED NURSE REVIEW / AUTHORIZATION

- Student is competent to self-carry emergency medications     
  Student is competent to self-administer emergency medications

**Registered Nurse Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B.: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergy to: \_\_\_\_\_

Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ lbs. Asthma: [ ] Yes (higher risk for a severe reaction) [ ] No

PLACE  
PICTURE  
HERE

NOTE: Do not depend on antihistamines or inhalers (bronchodilators) to treat a severe reaction. USE EPINEPHRINE.

Extremely reactive to the following foods: \_\_\_\_\_

THEREFORE:

[ ] If checked, give epinephrine immediately for ANY symptoms if the allergen was likely eaten.

[ ] If checked, give epinephrine immediately if the allergen was definitely eaten, even if no symptoms are noted.

FOR ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

## SEVERE SYMPTOMS



### LUNG

Short of breath, wheezing, repetitive cough



### HEART

Pale, blue, faint, weak pulse, dizzy



### THROAT

Tight, hoarse, trouble breathing/swallowing



### MOUTH

Significant swelling of the tongue and/or lips



### SKIN

Many hives over body, widespread redness



### GUT

Repetitive vomiting, severe diarrhea



### OTHER

Feeling something bad is about to happen, anxiety, confusion

OR A COMBINATION of symptoms from different body areas.



- 1. INJECT EPINEPHRINE IMMEDIATELY.**
- 2. Call 911.** Tell them the child is having anaphylaxis and may need epinephrine when they arrive.
  - Consider giving additional medications following epinephrine:
    - » Antihistamine
    - » Inhaler (bronchodilator) if wheezing
  - Lay the person flat, raise legs and keep warm. If breathing is difficult or they are vomiting, let them sit up or lie on their side.
  - If symptoms do not improve, or symptoms return, more doses of epinephrine can be given about 5 minutes or more after the last dose.
  - Alert emergency contacts.
  - Transport them to ER even if symptoms resolve. Person should remain in ER for at least 4 hours because symptoms may return.

## MILD SYMPTOMS



### NOSE

Itchy/runny nose, sneezing



### MOUTH

Itchy mouth



### SKIN

A few hives, mild itch



### GUT

Mild nausea/discomfort

FOR MILD SYMPTOMS FROM MORE THAN ONE SYSTEM AREA, GIVE EPINEPHRINE.

FOR MILD SYMPTOMS FROM A SINGLE SYSTEM AREA, FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS BELOW:

1. Antihistamines may be given, if ordered by a healthcare provider.
2. Stay with the person; alert emergency contacts.
3. Watch closely for changes. If symptoms worsen, give epinephrine.

## MEDICATIONS/DOSES

Epinephrine Brand: \_\_\_\_\_

Epinephrine Dose: [ ] 0.15 mg IM [ ] 0.3 mg IM

Antihistamine Brand or Generic: \_\_\_\_\_

Antihistamine Dose: \_\_\_\_\_

Other (e.g., inhaler-bronchodilator if wheezing): \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT/GUARDIAN AUTHORIZATION SIGNATURE

DATE

PHYSICIAN/HCP AUTHORIZATION SIGNATURE

DATE