Anaphylaxis Policy

Anaphylaxis is: is a severe allergic reaction that can be fatal, resulting in circulatory collapse or shock. The allergy may be related to food, insect stings, medicine, latex, nuts, etc. The purpose of the **policy** is to provide an outline for prevention and care for a student with a known **anaphylactic response.**

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Upon student application, if a medical alert - life threatening or severe medical condition - is noted, the parent is asked to complete the medical planning form provided by the school.

For Parent Accompanied Events:

- Expectation of Parent to assume parental responsibility, carry the epi-pen and administer if needed.

For school run events:

- We require a Permission to Administer Medicine form (updated annually)
- Parent provides Epi-pen onsite
  - Stored appropriately with Teacher/ supervisor access and kept nearby
  - All those in care of the student throughout the day provided with a copy of the Medical Planning Form and aware of the epi-pen's location

- Annual staff training with local school nurse provided
  - review signs and symptoms
  - common allergens
  - avoidance strategies
  - How to use/administer epinephrine auto-injector
  - Discussions to raise team and participant awareness
  - Your local school nurse is also a valuable resource and may provide practical training as needed
    - Free anaphylaxis training, video/quiz/certificate Allergy Aware Website

In Case of Anaphylaxis

- Allergic response is immediately treated with epi-pen, not Benadryl
- 911 is called
- Parent to be notified
- Flex representative to accompany to hospital awaiting parent arrival
- Flex representative to call Director of Flex Academy and complete the Accident Report Form.
- Director follows up with family and staff to consider future care considerations

- Student allergy alert information noted within Encom for future reference with note for parents encouraging use of Medic-Alert identification

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