Christ the Teacher Catholic Schools

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

SECTION:	300 - STUDENTS	**CODE:**	AP 313.1
PROCEDURE:	**CONSENT TO MEDICAL TREATMENT**		

BACKGROUND

The division recognizes the authority awarded parents/legal guardians for their children. Accordingly, the division directs its employees to refrain from offering consent for medical treatment of students. Where students require medical attention as a result of situations arising under their care, employee action will be according to the following procedures.

PROCEDURES

1. Where, in the judgment of an employee, it is necessary for a student to obtain the services of a medical practitioner/facility, the employee shall:
   1.1 Arrange for the transportation of the student;
   1.2 Arrange for his/her or another employee's attendance with the student at the medical facility;
   1.3 Attend with the student until:
      1.3.1 Relieved by parent/legal guardian;
      1.3.2 Relieved by another employee;
      1.3.3 The student is discharged by the practitioner/facility; or
      1.3.4 Advised by a medical practitioner that there is no further need to remain at treatment, and safety of the child has been undertaken by the medical staff/institution.
   1.4 Upon arrival at the practitioner/facility, advise those in authority that he/she is not the parent/legal guardian of the student;
   1.5 Refrain from offering consent for medical treatment.

2. On those occasions where medical treatment is refused because of lack of valid consent, the employee shall:
   2.1 Defer to the opinion of the medical practitioner;
   2.2. Solicit advice from the medical practitioner as to appropriate courses of action;
   2.3 Advise his/her supervisor of the problem and advice of the medical practitioner; and
   2.4. Take such course of action as recommended by the medical practitioner and approved by his/her supervisor.

Reference: Section 60, 61, *School Act*
Cross Reference: Administrative Procedure 313 – Administering Medication to Students

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