

Senate Bill No. 82

Senate Bill 82 outlines requirements prior to participation and for specific medical concerns. Below you will find information for each.

• Asthma:

"Sec. 33.205. CERTAIN SAFETY PRECAUTIONS REQUIRED. (a) A coach, trainer or sponsor for an extracurricular athletic activity shall at each athletic practice or competition ensure that: (2) any prescribed asthma medication for a student participating in the activity is readily available to the student." All student athletes with asthma that have provided documentation from a physician requiring an inhaler will be required to provide an inhaler to the athletic trainers prior to any physical activity. The athletic trainers/coaches will keep the inhaler for the school year.

• The Unconscious Athlete:

"Sec. 33.205. CERTAIN SAFETY PRECAUTIONS REQUIRED. (b) If a student participating in an extracurricular athletic activity, including a practice or competition, becomes unconscious during the activity, the student may not: (1) return to the practice or competition during which the student became unconscious; or (2) participate in any extracurricular athletic activity until the student receives written authorization for such participation from a physician.

• Safety Training:

Sec. 33.202. SAFETY TRAINING REQUIRED. (a) The commissioner by rule shall develop and adopt an extracurricular activity safety training program as provided by this section. In developing the program, the commissioner may use materials available from the American Red Cross, Emergency Medical Systems (EMS), or another appropriate entity. (d) A school district shall provide training to students participating in an extracurricular athletic activity related to: (1) recognizing the symptoms of injuries described by Subsection (c)(2)(D); and (2) the risks of using dietary supplements designed to enhance or marketed as enhancing athletic performance. (e) The safety training program and the training under Subsection (d) may each be conducted by a school or school district or by an organization described by Subsection (c)(1).