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Overview

Asthma is a disease of the respiratory system. An asthma attack occurs when people who have asthma experience trouble breathing. Allergies, infections, exercise, changes in temperature and smoke can cause an asthma attack. During an asthma attack, the muscles around the airways tighten and the lining inside the airways swell and become clogged with thick mucous, making it difficult to breathe.

Section

- 1 **Exclusions; administration of drugs and medicine.** Allows a student to use an asthma inhaler to administer prescription asthma medication if a parent submits to the district written authorization permitting the student to use the inhaler and the parent does not request school personnel to administer the medication. Requires a parent to submit written authorization annually.