

## **EPIPEN POLICY FOR 2017-2018**

Pursuant to Maryland law (Annotated Code Section 7-426.3), Talmudical Academy has established a policy authorizing school personnel to administer auto-injectable epinephrine ("epipen") to a student who is determined to be or perceived to have a sudden, severe, and potentially life-threatening allergic reaction, regardless of whether the student has been identified as having an anaphylactic allergy, or has a prescription for epinephrine. Talmudical Academy maintains a supply of epipens in each school office for emergency use, and conducts annual training for administration and faculty to identify the signs and symptoms of anaphylaxis, and the proper technique for administering an epipen. In the event that school personnel administers an epipen, the school nurse and the principal of the division will be immediately notified to determine what further medical assistance is necessary, and will contact the child's parent or legal guardian.

Maryland law provides that "EXCEPT FOR ANY WILLFUL OR GROSSLY NEGLIGENT ACT, SCHOOL PERSONNEL WHO RESPOND IN GOOD FAITH TO THE ANAPHYLACTIC REACTION OF A CHILD IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION MAY NOT BE HELD PERSONALLY LIABLE FOR ANY ACT OR OMISSION IN THE COURSE OF RESPONDING TO THE REACTION."

For questions about this policy, please contact the Talmudical Academy Health Suite:

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