

### **Environmental Science Program – policies:**

.159(B)(2) Care of mildly ill campers, administration of medications, and emergency health care

A student who is mildly ill will be moved to a location away from the group, and the student's condition will be monitored. The student will be encouraged to rest and stay hydrated. If the student's group must keep moving, the student should be assisted by distributing the student's daypack to a nearby leader.

If possible, the student's parents or guardians will be notified, and if a pickup is possible, leaders will make arrangements for the parent or guardian to pick up the student before the end of the day.

If it appears that a student would benefit by receiving medication, leaders should check that the student does not have an allergy to the medication, and that the parents or guardians have authorized the Program to administer medication. If possible, leaders of the student's group should notify the parents or guardians of their plan to give the student medication and then notify the Director of the decision. Leaders should note the activity in the Program's logbook.

If a student needs emergency health care, leaders should make the care of the student their first priority. Once care by the leaders is being provided, the leaders should notify medical responders in the area as quickly as possible (for example dialing 911 where cell service is available) and a leader should stay with the affected student at all times. Leaders should notify the Director of the situation, and should notify student's parents or guardians to advise them about intended transportation of the student to a medical treatment facility.