## <u>Kankakee School District #111</u> Life-Threatening Allergies & Chronic Illness Instruction Form

If you have listed an allergy or chronic illness on the Emergency Registration Card or any other form, please note if the allergy or chronic illness is life threatening.

If the allergy or chronic illness is life threatening, please review the policies below:

- The Important Message concerning Section 504 of the 1973 Rehabilitation Act
- The Physician Statement for Food Substitution
- The Allergy History Form
- The Illinois Food Emergency Action Plan and Treatment Authorization Form.
- Administering Medicines to Students Policy
- Administrative Procedure for Dispensing Medication
- Exhibit School Medical Authorization Form

Please have the Physician Statement and Allergy History Form which includes the Illinois Food Emergency Action Plan and Treatment Authorization Form completed and returned to the school immediately.

Once the forms are returned to the school, a meeting should be set up immediately with the Parent/Guardian, Student's Teacher(s), District Nurse, School Head Cook, and the Dietitian from the Food Service Department so that an Action Plan can be put together for the child.

Please discuss additional training that may need to be provided to the Staff that may come in contact with the child including the lunchroom staff, bus driver, playground supervisor, and custodian.

Please discuss a development of a generic letter which may need to be sent home to other parents in the child's classroom explaining the allergy with instructions for the parent to share with their child.

• Life-Threatening Food Allergy: Term used for food allergy throughout the Illinois School Guidelines for Managing Life-Threatening Food Allergies. This term underscores the risk of a life-threatening reaction in any student who has a food allergy. Currently, there are no tests available that would accurately indicate the risk for any food allergic individual for a life-threatening reaction. Due to this lack of testing and life-saving nature of prompt recognition and treatment, all students should be treated as if their food allergy is life-threatening.