## GAINESVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

800 S. Morris

Gainesville, TX 76240

Dear Gainesville ISD Parents:

Re: Unassigned Epinephrine Auto-Injectors

The Texas Legislature passed SB66 in the 2015 Legislative Session. The bill allows for stocking epinephrine auto-injectors in Texas public schools and to be used in case of emergency. The unassigned epinephrine auto-injector policy under the subchapter, the district or school shall provide written or electronic notice to a parent or guardian of each student in accordance with Texas Education Code, §38.212.

EpiPens are a single dose units of epinephrine used to treat anaphylaxis. Staff on each campus is trained to recognize the signs & symptoms of an anaphylactic reaction and in the administration of the epipen. In the case that an epipen has been administered to your child the parent and 911 will be notified immediately.

Every student is entitled to this program free of charge thanks to "EpiPen 4 Schools". However, the program does not replace the parents' responsibility in providing an epipen and care plan for your student if they have a diagnosis of anaphylaxis. This program is meant for those who have not been diagnosed and have an anaphylactic reaction at school.

Please notify your students' school nurse or you can visit the website: <a href="www.epipen4schools.com">www.epipen4schools.com</a> for more information.

Thank you,

Dr. Des Stewart

Gainesville ISD Superintendent

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