




STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
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**TO:** Superintendents of Schools  
School Nurse Supervisors  
School Medical Advisors

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**SUBJECT:** Applying Sunscreen Products by Students

[Public Act No. 19-60: An Act Allowing Students To Apply Sunscreen Prior To Engaging In Outdoor Activities](#), amended Section 10-212a of the Connecticut General Statutes to allow any student who is six years of age or older to possess and self-apply an over-the-counter sunscreen product while in school prior to engaging in any outdoor activity, with only a written authorization signed by the student's parent or guardian. For students who are younger than six years of age all three of the following requirements pursuant to Section 10-212a-4 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies for self-administration of medication continue to apply:

1. an authorized prescriber provides a written medication order including the recommendation for self-administration;
2. a parent or guardian provides written authorization for self-administration of medications; and
3. the school nurse has assessed the student's competency for self-administration in the school setting and deemed it to be safe and appropriate.

Each local and regional board of education may adopt policies and procedures determined to be necessary to carry out this new provision that is effective as of July 1, 2019. If and when a board adopts such policies and procedures, the self-application of over-the-counter sunscreen products by students in each school under the jurisdiction of the board shall be in accordance with such policies and procedures.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Stephanie Knutson, Education Consultant, at 860-807-2108 or [stephanie.knutson@ct.gov](mailto:stephanie.knutson@ct.gov).

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