Students BP 5141(a)

HEALTH CARE AND EMERGENCIES

The Governing Board recognizes the importance of taking appropriate action whenever an emergency threatens the safety, health, or welfare of a student at school or during school-sponsored activities.

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(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)
(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)
(cf. 5141.21 - Administering Medication and Monitoring Health Conditions)
(cf. 5141.22 - Infectious Diseases)
(cf. 5142 - Safety)
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The Superintendent or designee shall develop procedures to ensure that first aid and/or medical attention is provided as quickly as possible when student accidents and injuries occur and that parents/guardians are notified as appropriate.

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(cf. 3530 - Risk Management/Insurance)
(cf. 5143 - Insurance)
(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)
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The Superintendent or designee shall ask parents/guardians to provide emergency contact information in order to facilitate communication in the event of an accident or illness.

District staff shall appropriately report and document student accidents.

Resuscitation Orders

The Board believes that staff members should not be placed in the position of determining whether or not to follow any parental or medical "do not resuscitate" orders. Staff shall not accept or follow any such orders unless they have been informed by the Superintendent or designee that the request to accept such an order has been submitted to the Superintendent or designee, signed by the parent/guardian, and supported by a written statement from the student's physician and an order from an appropriate court.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all parents/guardians are informed of this policy.

Automated External Defibrillators

The Board authorizes the voluntary placement of automated external defibrillators (AEDs) at designated school sites for use by employees and volunteers who have been trained in the proper use of the type of AED(s) located at the site.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop and adopt administrative regulations ensuring the district's compliance with California law and regulations applicable to the placement,

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maintenance, and use of AEDs within California schools. Such administrative regulations may also allow for the use of portable AEDs by district personnel when participating in off-campus district-sponsored events.

The Board's authorization of the voluntary placement of AEDs at district sites does not create a guarantee or obligation that an AED will be used in the case of an emergency or that an employee or volunteer trained in the use of AED will be available and willing to use the AED in an emergency situation. This authorization also does not create a guarantee that the AED will properly operate or that it will correct any particular health or medical condition.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

32040-32044 First aid equipment

49300-49307 School safety patrols

49407 Liability for treatment

49408 Emergency information

49409 Athletic events; physicians and surgeons; emergency medical care; immunity

49470 Medical and hospital services for athletic program

49471 Medical and hospital services not provided or available

49472 Medical and hospital services for pupils

49474 Ambulance services

51202 Instruction in personal and public health and safety

CIVIL CODE

1714.21 Defibrillators; CPR; immunity from civil liability

FAMILY CODE

6550-6552 Caregivers

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

1797.196 Automatic external defibrillators, immunity from civil liability

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 8

5193 California Bloodborne Pathogens Standard

Management Resources:

Policy

WEB SITES

American Heart Association: http://www.americanheart.org

American Red Cross: http://www.redcross.org

California Department of Health Care Services: http://www.dhcs.ca.gov

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