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## First Aid

The school nurse develops guidelines for the emergency care of any student or staff member who is injured or becomes ill at school or while engaged in a school-sponsored activity. The guidelines are reviewed by the Board prior to implementation.

In the case of an emergency involving a student, the emergency medical authorization form is followed and efforts are made to contact the parent/guardian.

The guidelines provide for at least one person in each building to have special training in first aid.

The District provides employee automated external defibrillator (AED) training in accordance with State law. Compliance with this training requirement is reported to the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce by November 30 annually through the consolidated school mandate report.

If the District reports noncompliance, the Superintendent/designee must provide a written explanation to the Board within 30 days explaining this noncompliance and a written plan of action for accurately and efficiently addressing the problem.

In accordance with State law, an AED is placed in each school building. The Board directs the Superintendent/designee to develop an emergency action plan for the use of AEDs for Board approval. If an AED is used in case of emergency, a good faith effort must be made to activate or have another person activate an emergency medical services system as soon as possible. No employee who uses an AED that is placed in a school is held criminally liable or personally liable in civil damages for injury, death or loss to person or property for using an AED in good faith, regardless of whether the person has obtained appropriate training on how to perform automated external defibrillation or successfully completed a course in cardiopulmonary resuscitation, except in the case of willful or wanton misconduct or when there is no good faith attempt to activate an emergency medical services system.

## Legal References

ORC 2305.23

ORC 3301.56

ORC 3313.5310

ORC 3313.6021

ORC 3313.6023

ORC 3301.68

ORC 3313.712

ORC 3313.717

ORC 3701.85

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## Cross References

EB - Safety Program

EBBC - Bloodborne Pathogens

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EBC - Emergency Management and Safety Plans IGD - Cocurricular and Extracurricular Activities JHCD - Administering Medicines to Students Emergency Medical Authorization Form Staff Handbooks

**NOTE:** The guidelines for administering first aid and emergency care should be placed in the District's comprehensive safety plan, unless the District has included the guidelines in other staff handbooks.

House Bill 47 (2024) updated Ohio Revised Code (RC) 3313.717 to require the placement of AEDs in each school or sports facility.

Training must be provided to teachers, principals, administrative employees, coaches, athletic trainers and any other employee subject to the RC 3319.073(A) employee in-service training requirements. The Board must adopt an emergency action plan for the use of AEDs and may use the Ohio Department of Health model plan developed under RC 3701.851.

Under RC 3313.6021, students in grades 9-12 are required to receive instruction in CPR and use of an AED. Students may be excused from this instruction in accordance with State law.

Senate Bill 216 (2018) enacted RC 3301.68 requiring the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce (ODEW) to establish, distribute and monitor a consolidated school mandate report for school districts. Except where specifically required by law, ODEW cannot require a separate report for the items included in the report. Each district must complete and file the report by November 30 annually.

The report must require each district or school to denote "yes" to indicate compliance or "no" to indicate noncompliance with the following prescribed items and to provide any other information that the department requests regarding those items:

- Training on the use of physical restraint or seclusion on students;
- Training on harassment, intimidation, or bullying;
- Training on the use of cardiopulmonary resuscitation and an automated external defibrillator;
- Training on crisis prevention intervention;
- The establishment of a wellness committee;
- The reporting of a district's or school's compliance with nutritional standards;
- Screening for hearing, vision, speech and communications, and health or medical problems and for any developmental disorders of students enrolled for the first time in kindergarten or first grade and
- Compliance with interdistrict and intradistrict open enrollment requirements.

If a district or school denotes "no" on any item it must provide a written explanation to the Board within 30 days for why that item was not completed and a written plan of action for accurately and efficiently addressing the problem.

## THIS IS A REQUIRED POLICY

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