

Policy

STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES/ ACCIDENTS/FIRST AID

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Sickness at school

Students who are ill may obtain a pass from their class teacher to go to the nurse's office. The school nurse will make arrangements for them to go home by contacting one of their parents or guardians, if necessary. Any student who fails to report to the office and leaves school without permission will be disciplined.

Accident/First Aid

The school nurse, first responder, or principal's designee will be responsible for providing emergency services in case of injury to, or sudden illness of, a child or staff member.

If a school employs a licensed practical nurse (LPN), a registered nurse (RN) must be available on call by telecommunications. ~~will be available or on call at or for all schools throughout the district.~~

Procedures

Each school will develop procedures for the proper handling of such emergencies. The administration will distribute these procedures to the staff.

The procedures will include the following requirements:

- The school nurse, ~~first responder, or principal's designee~~ **or another trained person** will be responsible for administering first aid.
- The school ~~nurse~~ will notify the student's parent/ **legal guardian** of the student's illness or injury. The school will request that the parent/ **legal guardian** make appropriate arrangements for the student's care.
- If the school cannot contact the parent/**legal guardian** immediately when a very serious accident occurs or when a child becomes alarmingly ill, the school will summon medical service or an ambulance to take the ~~child~~ **student** to the appropriate medical facility. Schools will notify the parents/ **legal guardians** as soon as possible.

- Schools will administer first/aid emergency care and the routine delivery of health services to students according to the procedures specified in the Health Services Procedures Manual or other appropriate document.

Under no circumstances should a school staff member, including a school nurse, follow the terms of Do Not Resuscitate (DNR) instructions signed by the parent/legal guardian of a student.

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~~Constitutional and Statutory Provisions~~ **Legal References:**

- A. S. C. Code of Laws, 1976, as amended:
1. ~~Section 40-33-770—Amended law relating to on-site supervision of nurse.~~ **76-10, et seq.- South Carolina Automated External Defibrillator Act.**

2. **Section 44-78-50 – Minors ineligible to request DNR orders.**