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	STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES AND REQUIREMENTS	JLC

HOLLISTON

The Holliston Public Schools recognize that parents have the primary responsibility for the health of their students. The School District will cooperate with appropriate professionals associated with maintaining individual and community health and safety. The School District shall provide the services of a medical consultant who shall render medical and administrative consultative services for personnel responsible for school health and athletics.

The School District's student health services may include identification of student health needs, health screening tests (including eye and hearing screening tests), communicable disease prevention and control, promotion of the correction of remediable health defects, emergency care of the ill and injured, health counseling, health and safety education, and the maintenance of a healthful school environment.

The following procedures for responding to a medical emergency at school will be implemented:

- 1. The district shall maintain a Medical Emergency Response Plan, and an Emergency Procedures Handbook, which shall be utilized by School District personnel for handling emergencies. Emergency procedures shall include the following:
 - a. Provision for care beyond first aid, which would enable care by the family, its physician or the local Emergency Medical Service agencies. In instances when the EMS is required, every effort shall be made to provide the unit with the student's emergency card which lists any allergies or diseases the student might have.
 - b. Information relative to not permitting the administration of any form of medicine or drug to students without written approval by parents. Requests made by parents for such administration of medicine shall be reviewed and approved by the Principal or designee.
 - c. Provisions for reporting all accidents, cases of injury, or illness to the Principal. Provisions shall be made (in all cases on injury or illness involving possible legal or public relations implications) for reporting such to the Superintendent immediately.
 - d. Prompt reporting by teachers to the Principal or designee of any accident or serious illness and such reports will be filed with the School Nurse's Office.
- 2. Each year parents shall supply information indicating the name, address, and phone number of a local person to be contacted in case the parent/guardian is not available; and any allergies or diseases the student might have.

3. In case of illness or injury, the parent or guardian will be contacted and asked to pick up the student or arrange alternate transportation. Transportation of an ill or injured student is not normally to be provided by the school. If the parent cannot provide transportation and if the student is ill or injured, an ambulance may be called. Expense incurred as a result of emergency ambulance use will not be borne by the School District. Transportation of a student by school personnel will be done only in an emergency and by the individual so designated by the school administrator.

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