

SUBJECT: AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS (AED)

The District will provide and maintain on-site in each instructional school facility and off-site at mandated athletic events, functional cardiac automated external defibrillator (AED) equipment for use during cardiac emergencies. Each such facility will have sufficient automated external defibrillator equipment available to ensure ready and appropriate access for use during emergencies, in quantities and types as deemed by the Commissioner of Education, in consultation with the Commissioner of Health. Determination of the quantity and placement of AEDs must be made with consideration of at least the factors enumerated in the Commissioner's Regulations. An instructional school facility is defined as a building or other facility maintained by the School District where instruction is provided to students pursuant to its curriculum.

The School District facilities and staff responsible for carrying out the duties enumerated in Education Law Section 917 are deemed a "public access defibrillation provider" as defined pursuant to Public Health Law Section 3000-b and subject to the Public Health Law requirements and limitations. Pursuant to Public Health Law Sections 3000-a and 3000-b, the School District (as a public access defibrillation provider), or any employee or other agent of the School District who, in accordance with the provisions of law, voluntarily and without expectation of monetary compensation renders emergency medical or first aid treatment using an AED to a person who is unconscious, ill or injured, shall not be liable for damages for injury or death unless caused by gross negligence. Deliberate student-induced false alarms will be addressed through the District's Code of Conduct and prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

Education Law § 917
Public Health Law § 3000-b

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