

## **FIRST AID AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE**

No treatment of injuries except first aid shall be permitted in the schools. First aid is that immediate help given by the best-qualified person at hand in case of accident or sudden illness.

During the school day and during school sponsored events, including those off-site, at least one staff person shall be on duty who has a current certification from a nationally recognized course in standard first aid and CPR. First aid kits shall be stored and properly maintained in each school in accordance with applicable school health rules.

Any person who in good faith provides emergency care or assistance without compensation at the place of the emergency or accident shall not be liable for any civil damages for acts or omissions in good faith. State law also exempts from civil liability certain health care providers who render emergency assistance in good faith and without compensation to persons injured in a competitive sport activity.

Treatment of injuries occurring outside school jurisdiction is not the responsibility of school employees.

The school's obligation continues after the emergency until the injured person has been placed in the care of the parent/guardian or emergency health personnel. Therefore, the parents/guardians of all students will be asked to sign and submit an emergency medical authorization form which shall indicate the procedure they wish the school to follow in event of a medical emergency involving their child.

In all cases where the nature of an illness or an injury appears serious, the parent or guardian will be contacted, if possible, and the instructions on the student's emergency record followed. In extreme emergencies, where there is a potential threat to life, limb, or digit, school personnel will immediately call emergency health personnel to arrange for transporting the student to an emergency facility on advice of emergency health personnel.

No elementary age child who is ill or injured will be sent home alone nor will a secondary age child be sent home alone unless the illness is minor and the parent or guardian has consented in advance.

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Legal Refs: 6 CCR 1010.6, Rule 6.13(D) (first aid and CPR certification requirement)  
C.R.S. 13-21-108 (civil immunity for health care providers who assist in sports injuries)  
C.R.S. 25-53-102 (requirements concerning automated external defibrillators in schools)  
C.R.S. 24-10-106.5 (public entity duty of care)

Cross Refs: JLIB, Student Dismissal Precautions  
JLCD, Administering Medicines to Students