#### **FABENS ISD**

## First Aid



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**Your School Nurse** 

## First Aid Basics



#### Remember:

- Never touch another person's blood give them a dressing or tissue while you put on latex or vinyl gloves
- If you are concerned that a student may have a fracture or significant head or neck injury - be sure NOT to move the student before medical help arrives
- Find out who the people in your building are who know CPR (Doors are labeled)
- Familiarize yourself with your closest "MERT" team member.

## Cuts (Lacerations)

- Use latex gloves before touching open wounds
- Small lacerations:

Wash with soap and water and rinse

Cover with bandage

Notify Health Office and parents as needed

Large lacerations:

Apply dressing, press firmly and elevate site to stop bleeding

Do not remove dressing - refer to Health
Office for further care

If the nurse is unavailable, seek emergency care by calling a "CODE MEDICAL" or by calling your administrator.

## Sprains and Fractures

Important - treat a significant injury with care!

SPRAINS:

Do not move injured part - apply cold pack or ice to injury

Notify the Health Office for assistance

#### **FRACTURES:**

 Do not move injured part - Notify the Health Office immediately - if unavailable, obtain emergency care

Observe for signs of shock and treat by keeping the student warm and laying down

### Burns



- Place under cold running water immediately
- Notify Health Office or parents as needed

#### **SEVERE BURNS:**

- Cover with a dry, sterile cloth
- Notify Health Office immediately if unavailable, obtain emergency care

Observe for signs of shock and treat by keeping the student warm and laying down

## Head Injuries

Do not move the student!

Notify Health Office and parents immediately

Watch for the following signs:

- Severe headache
- Excessive drowsiness
- Nausea and/or vomiting
- Double or blurred vision, unequal pupils
- Loss of muscle coordination
- Convulsions or seizures
- Unusual behavior: dizziness, confusion, irregular breathing
- Bleeding or discharge from the ear

Seek emergency medical care for any of these symptoms!



## Nosebleeds



- Hand student a dressing or several tissues
- Have student sit in upright position
- Have student apply direct pressure to nose by squeezing outside of nostrils with thumb and index finger for 10 minutes
- Do not lean head back
   Notify your nurse or administrator if you have been exposed to another person's blood!

## Choking



- Ask the victim, "Are you choking?"
   If the victim can speak, breathe or cough, stay with the victim and encourage him/her to cough
- If the victim cannot speak breathe or cough -

#### CALL FOR EMERGENCY HELP IMMEDIATELY!

 For a conscious victim that cannot speak or cough perform the Heimlich maneuver (demonstration for a child)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iv5g4NTVuVw (Demonstration for adult)

https://www.youtube.com/watch/v=-9lL22o4DZg

## Successful First Aid Management

- Know who to call in an emergency
- Never touch another person's blood Manage bleeding incidents with gloves and dressings
- Know the personnel in your building who are CPR certified
- Do not move an injured student if you have any concerns about a neck injury, head injury or fracture

# For more information - see your school nurse!



## QUESTIONS?