

FIRST AID/ADMINISTERING MEDICINE TO STUDENTS

Each school is responsible for giving first aid or emergency treatment only in case of sudden injury or illness of a pupil or staff member while in school or on school grounds. Further medical attention for students is the responsibility of the parent(s), guardian, or person designated by the parent(s) or guardian.

A school nurse is available throughout the school day to provide emergency first aid care. In the absence of a school nurse, the principal, or a designee, renders first aid as necessary. In any case, school officials shall attempt immediately to notify the parent(s), guardian, or individual(s) listed on the emergency information form.

If the medical emergency is beyond the scope of the nurse, then the paramedics will be called. If hospital is needed, the paramedic will make the decision to take the student to the hospital. School personnel will continue at all stages to try to reach the parent(s), guardian, or individual(s) listed on the emergency information form. The Board of Education will be notified of serious accidents and/or illnesses by the Superintendent of Schools within a reasonable time period.

For medication to be administered to a student by school personnel, the parent (guardian) must submit written direction from the child's physician. Written parental permission is also required for school personnel to administer medication to a student.

In the absence of a school nurse, the principal will administer the medication.