

Students

Do Not Attempt Resuscitation/Do Not Intubate

I. Purpose

When any student experiences sudden illness or injury, the role of staff is to render emergency health care to preserve life and prevent disability. In life-threatening emergencies, the emergency medical system (911) will be activated. The school district recognizes that it is serving students with complex health needs, and that district staff may be presented with written Do Not Attempt Resuscitation/ Do Not Intubate orders (DNR- DNI).

II. Definition of Do Not Attempt Resuscitation/ Do Not Intubate (DNR-DNI)

For purposes of this policy, “Do Not Attempt Resuscitation/ Do Not Intubate” or “DNR-DNI” means a written physician directive that cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) will not be used and/or a breathing tube will not be inserted into a patient’s trachea by healthcare providers in the event of a cardiac or respiratory arrest.

III. General Statement of Policy

- A. The primary mission of the school district is education. DNR-DNI orders are medical documents. District staff will not accept or honor requests to withhold emergency care or DNR-DNI orders. The district will not convey such orders to emergency medical personnel.
- B. District staff will provide reasonable emergency care and assistance when a student is undergoing a medical emergency during school or district activities.
- C. District staff will activate emergency medical services (911) as soon as possible when a student is undergoing a medical emergency during school or district activities.
- D. The parent/guardian will be notified of the emergency as soon as possible.
- E. Notwithstanding this district policy, licensed school nurses will develop an Emergency Health Plan (EHP) for students when appropriate in accordance with state and federal law.
- F. Parents/guardians who request that emergency care be withheld for their child or who present DNR-DNI orders, will be advised of and given a copy of this policy.

Legal References:

29 U.S.C. § 794 *et seq.* (Rehabilitation Act of 1973 §504)

42 U.S.C. § § 12101-12213 (Americans with Disabilities Act)

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