

**FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY SCHOOLS
POLICY MANUAL
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION
CHAPTER 3.0**

3.25

AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS

- I. The School Board authorizes the use of an automatic external defibrillator (AED) in a perceived medical emergency.

- II. Using evidence-based core elements as well as considering recommendations by the American Heart Association, FSUS Leon will develop a plan for urgent life-saving emergencies (PULSE) to address the appropriate use of school personnel needed to respond to incidents involving an individual experiencing sudden cardiac arrest or a similar life-threatening emergency while on school grounds.

- III. ~~Employees and volunteers shall complete a course in or otherwise be trained in first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), and how to use an AED.~~

- IV. ~~Students shall receive basic training in first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), and how to use an AED once in middle school in a physical education or health class and once in high school in a physical education or health class.~~

- V. FSUS Leon must have at least one operational AED on school grounds. In addition, a separate operational AED shall be available in close proximity to all athletic activities on school grounds, including those held outside of the school year. The device(s) shall be available in a clearly marked and publicized location(s). The location(s) of the device(s) shall be registered with the local emergency medical services director. All persons reasonably expected to use the device shall be notified annually in writing of the location of each AED on school grounds.

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VI. The Executive Director, or designee shall develop procedures to implement this policy. School officials shall work with local emergency service providers to integrate the PULSE into the community's emergency responder protocols and procedures. The protocols and procedures shall be reviewed annually and approved by the local emergency medical services director.

VII. The use of defibrillators by school employees and volunteers is covered the "Good Samaritan Act" and the "Cardiac Arrest Survival Act."

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