JLCE/EBBC- EMERGENCY CARE & FIRST AID*

Category: Priority/Required by Law
Related policies: JLC, JLCD, JLCD-R, EBBB

All School personnel have responsibilities in connection with injuries and emergencies occurring in school and at school-sponsored events, which may be classified as follows: (1) administering first aid; (2) summoning medical assistance; (3) notifying administration; (4) notifying parents; and (5) filing accident/injury reports.

School personnel must use reasonable judgment in handling injuries and emergencies. Caution should be exercised not to minimize or maximize any injury or illness. All personnel will understand the proper steps to be taken in the event of an injury or emergency.

The Superintendent will ensure that at least one other person on staff, aside from the school nurse, has current first aid and cardiopulmonary certification (CPR). If the school nurse or licensed practical nurse is not available, the person(s) who have current first aid and CPR certification is authorized to administer first aid and CPR as needed.

The school will obtain at the start of each school year emergency contact information of parents/ guardians for each student and staff member. The school nurse, or specially trained staff members shall assist in the treatment of injuries or emergency situations. Such individuals have the authority to administer oxygen in case of a medical emergency, if available and if appropriate. This authorization extends to administering oxygen to students without prior notification to parents/guardians.

The school nurse or other designated personnel may administer other medications to students in emergency situations, provided such personnel has all training as is required by law. Such medication may also be administered in emergency situations if a student's medical action plan has been filed and updated with the school district to the extent required by law.

Consistent with state law, the school nurse may maintain a supply of asthma related rescue medication and the emergency medication epinephrine. The school nurse or specially trained staff members may also administer epinephrine to any student in case of a medical emergency, if appropriate. This authorization extends to administering epinephrine without prior notification to parents/guardians. The school nurse or other designated personnel may administer or make available to self-administer a bronchodilator, spacer, or nebulizer to a student who has been diagnosed with asthma for use in emergency or other situations as determined by the school nurse.

The district will maintain all necessary records relative to the emergency administration of medication and will file all such reports as may be required under Board policy JLCD, or applicable laws or regulations.

Accident reports must be prepared and filed consistent with Board policy EBBB.

The Wilton-Lyndeborough Cooperative School District makes it possible for parents/guardians to subscribe to student accident insurance at low rates. This program is offered each year during September. The District does not provide student accident insurance.

Records related to the emergency administration of any medication under this policy shall be made and maintained by the school nurse as provided in Board policy JLCD and District procedures JLCD-R. The school nurse will follow other first aid reporting protocols, as may be determined by other Board policy or administrative directive.

Legal References:

RSA 200:40, Emergency Care

RSA 200:40-a, Administration of Oxygen by School Nurse

RSA 200:44-a, Anaphylaxis Training Required

RSA 200:54, Supply of Bronchodilators, Spacers or Nebulizers

RSA 200:55, Administration of Bronchodilator, Space or Nebulizer

Ed 306.04(a)(21), Emergency Care for Students and School Personnel

Ed 306.12, School Health Service

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