

Procedure for When a Student Bites or Exposes Another Student

Thoroughly cleanse the wound with soap and running water, cover with a sterile bandage, assess Hep B and tetanus status of both individuals, and then notify parents/guardians, recommend that they monitor for infection and contact their doctor if they have further concerns.

See [First Aid Guide for School Emergencies](#)

1. Wear gloves and use Standard Precautions.
2. Remove rings and bracelets from bitten extremity.
3. Cleanse wound thoroughly with soap and water for 5 minutes.
4. Cover wound with sterile bandage.
5. Determine tetanus status.
6. Assess hepatitis B vaccination status of involved individuals.
7. Call parent/guardian and recommend that they monitor for infection and contact their healthcare provider.

Contact the health department if the exposure was caused by something other than biting:
434-972-6249

For High School Students

In addition to the above, complete the *Student to Student Blood/Bodily Fluid Exposure* form for both students and submit to the health department to determine whether testing is warranted.

