

Cache County School District
Using a Pulse Oximeter Protocol

Only staff ANNUALLY trained by A CCSD Nurse can provide the following procedure
ALWAYS FOLLOW THE STUDENT'S INDIVIDUALIZED HEALTH CARE PLAN

PROTOCOL
A. Preparation: * Identifies student's ability to participate in procedure * Reviews universal precautions * Understands when to use the Oximeter
B. Identifies supplies and gathers equipment: * Oximeter – kept in drawer or student backpack, fragile
C. Procedure: 1. Turn oximeter on by firmly pressing power button, screen should light up 2. Assure student's finger is clean and warm 3. Place sensor on finger, with screen visible 4. Hold finger still to allow oximeter to take reading. Excessive movement can decrease the accuracy of the result or may cause an error message 5. The sensor may take up to 30 seconds to get a reading. If the user's finger is cold, it could take longer or affect accuracy; warming the hand beforehand will ensure a prompt and correct oxygenation reading. 6. Refer to the Individualize Healthcare Plan for actions for specific readings 7. Contact parent/school nurse with any problems 8. Document procedure in the approved CCSD documentation system