

# Santa Barbara School Districts

## Board Policy

BP 5141

### Students

#### HEALTH CARE AND EMERGENCIES

The Governing Board recognizes the importance of taking appropriate action whenever an emergency threatens the safety, health, or welfare of a student at school or during school-sponsored activities.

*(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)*

*(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)*

*(cf. 5141.21 - Administering Medication and Monitoring Health Conditions)*

*(cf. 5141.22 - Infectious Diseases)*

*(cf. 5142 - Safety)*

The Superintendent or designee shall develop procedures to ensure that first aid and/or medical attention is provided as quickly as possible when student accidents and injuries occur and that parents/guardians are notified as appropriate.

*(cf. 3530 - Risk Management/Insurance)*

*(cf. 5143 - Insurance)*

*(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)*

The Superintendent or designee shall ask parents/guardians to provide emergency contact information in order to facilitate communication in the event of an accident or illness.

District staff shall appropriately report and document student accidents.

#### Resuscitation Orders

The Board believes that staff members should not be placed in the position of determining whether or not to follow any parental or medical "do not resuscitate" orders. Staff shall not accept or follow any such orders unless they have been informed by the Superintendent or designee that the request to accept such an order has been submitted to the Superintendent or designee, signed by the parent/guardian, and supported by a written statement from the student's physician and an order from an appropriate court.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all parents/guardians are informed of this policy.

#### Automated External Defibrillators

The Board authorizes the placement of automated external defibrillators (AEDs) at designated

school sites for use by designated personnel who have volunteered to receive training in the use of AEDs.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop guidelines for employees regarding the use of these devices and shall ensure that employees receive training on their proper use and handling. The guidelines shall also specify the placement, security, and maintenance of the AED.

The authorization of AEDs in district schools shall not be deemed to create a guarantee or obligation to use the AED in the case of an emergency nor any expectation that an AED or trained employee will be present and/or able to use an AED in an emergency or any expectation that the AED will operate properly.

*Legal Reference:*

EDUCATION CODE

- 32040-32044 *First aid equipment*
- 49300-49307 *School safety patrols*
- 49407 *Liability for treatment*
- 49408 *Emergency information*
- 49409 *Athletic events; physicians and surgeons; emergency medical care; immunity*
- 49470 *Medical and hospital services for athletic program*
- 49471 *Medical and hospital services not provided or available*
- 49472 *Medical and hospital services for pupils*
- 49474 *Ambulance services*
- 51202 *Instruction in personal and public health and safety*

CIVIL CODE

- 1714.21 *Defibrillators; CPR; immunity from civil liability*

FAMILY CODE

- 6550-6552 *Caregivers*

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

- 1797.196 *Automatic external defibrillators, immunity from civil liability*

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 8

- 5193 *California Bloodborne Pathogens Standard*

*Management Resources:*

WEB SITES

- American Heart Association:* <http://www.americanheart.org>
- American Red Cross:* <http://www.redcross.org>
- California Department of Health Services:* <http://www.dhs.ca.gov>

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