

THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SOUTH ORANGE AND MAPLEWOOD, NEW JERSEY

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The Board of Education directs the Superintendent to provide for prompt and appropriate medical attention for ~~pupils~~ students, staff members, or visitors who are injured or become ill on school ~~premises grounds~~ or during ~~at~~ school sponsored event, activity or field trips.

Any injury or illness shall be reported immediately to the school nurse or, in the absence of the school nurse, the building principal or designee, ~~who shall determine whether an emergency exists~~. Immediate steps may be taken as necessary to remove the injured or ill person from ~~imminent~~ danger and/or to prevent exacerbation of the injury or illness ~~disability~~. Basic first aid may be administered by district personnel to ensure the safety and comfort of the injured or ill person until the school nurse or other medical professional arrives on the scene.

The parents or legal guardians of an injured or ill ~~pupil~~ student and, if necessary, the family of an injured or ill staff member or ~~adult~~ visitor will be notified promptly ~~and tactfully~~ of the injury or illness and the ongoing health status of the injured or ill person. If the school nurse or school ~~medical inspector~~ physician or, in the absence of both, the Principal or ~~designee~~ Vice/Assistant Principal determines ~~that~~ the injured or ill person should receive a medical examination from their medical professional, the parent or family member will be required to ~~be~~ removed the injured or ill person from the school or school event or activity. In the event a serious health emergency occurs on school grounds or during a school sponsored event, activity, or filed trip, emergency medical assistance will be contacted. ~~for rest and/or treatment at home or for consultation with a private physician, the parent or legal guardian, or family member shall be requested to provide transportation.~~

In the event it is determined by the school nurse and/or a medical professional that a student shall be immediately transported to a hospital or other emergency medical facility, a school staff member, if a parent or their designee is not on the scene, shall accompany the student to a hospital or other emergency medical facility.

~~In a serious emergency requiring immediate medical attention, an ambulance will be summoned for transportation to the nearest hospital or the school nurse may drive the injured or ill person to the hospital.~~

The ~~Superintendent shall~~ school nurse(s), in consultation with the school ~~medical inspector~~ physician, will develop basic emergency first aid procedures ~~and school nurse, prepare standing orders~~ for the emergency treatment of an injury or illness in the event a school staff member may be in the position to provide emergency first aid until the school nurse or other medical professional arrives on the scene. ~~ies and disabilities by the school nurse and regulations for the handling of injured and ill persons by all other school employees. All district personnel will be briefed annually on the regulations governing the handling of injured and ill persons.~~

Injuries and disabilities that occur in the course of the athletic program are subject to the provisions of Policy ~~No.~~ 2431 and implementing regulations. Student disabilities attributable to Pupil substance abuse will be handled in accordance with Policy ~~No.~~ 5530. Injuries that occur in the course of school bus transportation will be handled in accordance with regulations implementing Policy ~~No.~~ 8630.

~~N.J.S.A. 18A:40-3~~ N.J.A.C. 6A:16-2.1(a)4

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