THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SOUTH ORANGE AND MAPLEWOOD, NEW JERSEY

OPERATIONS
Policy 8441.1
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This policy has been abolished. Refer to Policy 5300.

The South Orange and Maplewood Board of Education is committed to providing the highest quality of care to its school community. Consistent with this commitment, the Board authorizes the placement of automated external defibrillators ("AEDs") in the schools and in the district administrative buildings.

An appropriately qualified individual in each building shall ensure that the AED is tested and maintained according to the manufacturer's instructions, and will notify the local first aide squad, or other appropriate medical emergency providers that AEDs are available in the schools, including the type of AED and its location in each individual school and/or administrative building.

The AED will be located in a central location of the school district building that can be readily accessible by designated staff members that have been trained in cardio pulmonary resuscitation and the use of a defibrillator.

Designated staff members will be trained in accordance with N.J.S.A. 2A:62A-25. Successful completion of a training program through the American Red Cross, American Heart Association or another training program recognized by the Department of Health and Senior Services, and appropriate certification, will be required of all designated staff members. No school personnel will use the AED unless appropriately trained and certified. School personnel shall promptly notify the appropriate first aid squad as soon as possible when the AED is used in an actual emergency situation.

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 2A:62A-25, the school physician has reviewed and approved this policy. Administration is directed to promulgate implementing regulations, which will likewise be reviewed by the school physician, prior to the use of AEDs in the schools.

References: N.J.S.A. 2A: 6A-24 et. seq.

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