

Response to Student Injury or Illness

EVALUATION

When a student is injured or ill at school or during any school-sponsored activity to any degree, it is the responsibility of staff to see that immediate care and attention is provided to the student unless or until the staff member is relieved by a staff member certified in first aid, a nurse, a doctor, or emergency personnel.

Except in cases of very minor injuries (e.g., cuts, scrapes, rug burns) that, in the judgment of the school nurse or a staff member certified in first aid, do not pose a serious health risk to the student and will not worsen if the student remains at school, the principal or designee and school nurse (if not already notified) will be promptly notified of any student's: 1) injury; 2) illness; or 3) physical trauma that could have caused injuries as yet unobservable.

The school nurse or staff member certified in first aid will determine whether the injury, illness or trauma is serious enough to warrant calling 911. Upon finding that it is not, either individual will provide appropriate first aid to the student consistent with their training.

For possible concussion occurring during school hours, the following procedures will be followed:

1. Student will be accompanied to the nurse's office and be assessed by the school nurse for symptoms of possible concussion. If nurse is not in the building, then a nurse will be called to come do assessment. Unless, in case of loss of consciousness or staff recognizes that emergency care is needed, medics will be called immediately.
2. Nurse or administrator will phone parent immediately to inform of possible concussion, symptoms present and the incident that led to injury. Parent will be told to take student to be seen by physician to diagnose.
3. Incident report will be completed as soon as possible, but no later than the end of the school day. The original will be sent to CSB, one copy will remain at the school, and if the parent requests a copy of report, they can receive a copy. The incident will also be documented in skyward.
4. If student is diagnosed with a concussion, proper ACE Concussion form must be completed by physician. Accommodations will be determined/outlined by the physician (including PE restrictions, homework, testing, partial school days, etc.) and staff will be notified of the accommodations by the school nurse or secretary. All staff will abide by those restrictions until receiving documentation of modifications or release from physician. Student will only return to activities once physician has evaluated and school has received documentation from physician with guideline of new accommodations and/or full release.

EMERGENCY TREATMENT

Upon recommendation of the school nurse or a staff member certified in first aid, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) will be called immediately and the student will be transported to the hospital by EMS. Students with uncontrolled bleeding and those who have suffered temporary suffocation, cardiac arrest, fractures or head, neck, eye, ear, or spinal injuries will only be moved and transported by EMS.

PARENT/GUARDIAN OR EMERGENCY CONTACT NOTIFICATION

Except in cases of very minor injuries as described above, the principal or designee will notify the parent or guardian (or, if the parent or guardian cannot be reached, the emergency contact), to advise them of the student's condition as soon as practicable.

The student's parent or guardian or emergency contact will decide, in non-emergency cases, whether: 1) the parent/guardian or emergency contact will transport the student to the hospital; 2) the parent/guardian or emergency contact will pick up the student or 3) the student will remain at school.

ADVANCED DIRECTIVES

The district will consult with its legal counsel prior to accepting any advance directives to physicians to limit medical treatment.

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