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[See POLICY ALERT Nos. 93, 172 and 209]

8441 CARE OF INJURED AND ILL PERSONS

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

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 will 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 Routine** first aid ~~will~~ **may** be administered by district personnel as necessary 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 parent(s) ~~or legal guardian(s)~~ of an injured or ill 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 **physician** ~~medical inspector~~ or, in the absence of both, the Principal **or designee**, determines that the injured or ill person should **receive** ~~be removed from school for rest and/or treatment at home or for a medical examination from consultation with a~~ **their medical professional** ~~private physician~~, the parent(s) ~~or legal guardian(s)~~, or family member ~~will~~ **shall** be required to **remove the injured or ill person from the school or school event or activity** ~~requested to provide transportation~~. **In the event a serious health emergency occurs on school grounds or during a school sponsored event, activity, or field trip, emergency medical assistance will be contacted.**

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.



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~~{A team of school district employees shall be assembled by the Principal in each school building and shall be trained and annually retrained in first aid procedures. Both the initial training of first aid team members and annual refresher courses will be at Board expense. The names of the first aid team members will be submitted to the Superintendent and distributed to all employees assigned to the school building. First aid team members shall assist the school nurse and may administer first aid in the absence of the school nurse.}~~

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

The **school nurse(s)** ~~Superintendent shall~~, in consultation with the school **physician**, ~~medical inspector and school nurse~~, **will develop** ~~prepare standing orders~~ **basic emergency first aid procedures** for the emergency treatment of **an injury** ~~injuries 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 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 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:16-1.4(a)1; 6A:16-1.4(a)2; 6A:16-1.4(a)3 **6A:16-2.1(a)4**

Adopted:

