

AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS

The Board of Education recognizes that emergencies may arise during the hours of classroom instruction and school sponsored activities occurring on school grounds that justify the use of an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) and understand the importance of taking appropriate action whenever an emergency threatens the safety, health, or welfare of a student, staff member, or visitor.

The Board authorizes the District to place Automated External Defibrillators at designated school sites for use by designated personnel who have volunteered to receive training in the use of Automated External Defibrillators. Training for designated personnel shall be in accordance with the regulations adopted by the Emergency Medical Service Authority and the guidelines of the American Heart Association and/or the American Red Cross.

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 Automated External Defibrillator. A licensed physician shall be involved in developing guidelines to ensure compliance with regulations and requirements for training, notification, and maintenance.

This policy shall not be deemed to create a guarantee, implied or expressed, or any obligation to use such Automated External Defibrillators nor is it intended to create any expectation that an Automated External Defibrillator 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.