

## FIRST AID

The North Middlesex Regional School District attempts to provide a safe environment. If an accident or sudden illness occurs, trained school personnel will administer first aid and, if warranted, activate the Emergency Medical System (call 911).

First aid is defined as the immediate assessment and temporary care given in case of an accident or sudden illness, which enables the individual to be taken home safely or to a physician. It does not include diagnosis or treatment. Any care beyond first aid will not be given. The school nurse or EMS will determine and recommend if further medical intervention should be sought.

At each school, procedures will be developed for the proper handling of an injury to, or sudden illness of, a student, staff member or visitor. These will be made known to the staff and will incorporate the following requirements:

1. The school nurse or another trained person will be responsible for administering first aid.
2. When the nature of an illness or an injury appears in any way serious, EMS will be activated first and every effort will be made to contact the parent or secondary contact person as soon as possible.
3. No minor child who is ill or injured will be sent home without parent/guardian or emergency contact consent, nor will any older child, unless the illness or injury is assessed as minor. In all cases, parental/guardian notification is required.
4. The teacher or other staff member to whom a child is responsible at the time an accident occurs will complete a report on an official form providing details about the accident. This will be required for every accident for which first aid is given.
5. All accidents to students, staff members or visitors will be reported as soon as possible to the Superintendent and, if the Superintendent deems appropriate, to the North Middlesex Regional School Committee.

SOURCE: MASC

LEGAL REFS.: M.G.L. 71:55A; 71:56

CROSS REF.: JLC, Student Health Services and Requirements  
JLCD, Administering Medicine to Students

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