

STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES AND REQUIREMENTS

The North Middlesex Regional School District recognizes that parents/guardians have the primary responsibility for the health of their students. The school will cooperate with appropriate professional organizations associated with maintaining individual and community health and safety.

Activities may include identification of student health needs, health screening tests (including eye and hearing screening tests), communicable disease prevention and control, promotion of the correction of remediable health defects, emergency care of the ill and injured, health counseling, health and safety education, and the maintenance of a healthy school environment.

The district shall provide the services of a medical consultant who shall render medical and administrative consultative services for personnel responsible for school health and athletics.

Procedures for Emergency at School

School personnel shall give only emergency care to students who become ill or injured on school property, buses, or while under school supervision.

Each year parents/guardians shall supply information indicating where the student is to be taken in case of an emergency; the name, address, and phone number of an emergency contact in case the parent/guardian is not available; and any pertinent medical history.

The district shall maintain a Medical Emergency Response Plan, as required by law, and an Emergency Procedures Handbook, which shall be utilized by district personnel for handling emergencies. Emergency procedures shall include the following:

- Provision for care beyond First Aid, which would enable care by the family or its physician or the local Emergency Medical Services agencies. In instances when EMS is required, every effort shall be made to provide the unit with the student's Emergency Card which lists any pertinent medical information;
- Information relative to the administration of any form of medicine or drugs to students without written approval of parents/guardians. Requests made by parents/guardians for such administration of medication shall be reviewed and approved by a school nurse;
- Provisions for reporting all accidents, cases of injury, or illness to the principal. Provisions shall be made to notify the Superintendent immediately of all cases of severe injury or illness, and cases of illness with possible public health implications;
- Prompt reporting of any accident or serious illness to the school nurse by teacher/staff. Such reports will be filed with the principal's office.

Student Illness or Injury

In case of illness or injury, the parent/guardian/emergency contact will be contacted to dismiss the student from school.

Transportation of an ill or injured student is not normally provided by the school. If the parent/guardian/emergency contact cannot provide transportation and the student is ill or injured, an ambulance may be called. Expense incurred as a result of emergency ambulance use will not be borne by the district.

Transportation of a student by school personnel will be done only in accordance with policy EEAG, Student Transportation in Private Vehicles.

SOURCE: MASC

LEGAL REF.: 71:53; 54; 54A; 54B; 55; 55A; 55B; 56; 57; 69:8A

CROSS REF.: EBB, First Aid

EBC, Emergency Plans

JLCD, Administration of Medications to Students

EEAG, Student Transportation in Private Vehicles