

Student Accidents and Injuries - Treatment and Reporting

Statement of Policy

The District places a high priority on the safety and well-being of its students and desires to foster a safe environment for its students. Therefore, all efforts will be made to ensure the safety of students. However, recognizing that accidents and injuries do occur, the Board requires that all accidents occurring at school during the school day or during school-sponsored activities wherever they occur shall be reported to the school nurse. These, in turn, will be reported to the administration through the periodic reports of the school nurse.

Treatment of Student Injuries

The Board requires that procedures be developed to provide care to students who sustain injuries while on school property during the school day or during school-sponsored activities. Such procedures shall include provision of immediate care, notification to the child's parent or guardian and, where appropriate, transportation for the child.

Delegation of Responsibility

The Superintendent shall promulgate regulations setting forth a general procedure for student accidents and injuries that:

1. Provide specific notification procedures for all injuries as defined in the accompanying Administrative Regulation.
2. Assign the principal of each building to implement and standardize the regulations and procedures to cover injury reporting.

Additional Procedures for the Evaluation and Management of Student-Athlete Brain Injuries and Cardiac Events

The Superintendent shall establish and promulgate regulations regarding the following:

1. Providing student-athletes and their parents with information regarding the evaluation and management of cardiac events, including sudden cardiac arrest ("collectively referred to Cardiac Events"), and concussions.
2. Use of computerized baseline neurological testing to monitor neurological health of student-athletes in designated interscholastic and club sports.
3. Evaluation by athletic trainers and other qualified persons of student-athlete brain injuries and of student-athletes experiencing Cardiac Events during interscholastic and club sports games and other activities.
4. Management of student-athlete brain injuries and Cardiac Events irrespective of when and where injury is sustained and whether or not associated with loss of consciousness.

5. Limitations on participation in interscholastic and club sports games and other activities by student-athletes who have sustained brain injuries or experienced Cardiac Events.
6. Mandatory reporting of student-athlete brain injuries and incidents of Cardiac Events by coaches, trainers and parents to a designated administrator.
7. Disciplinary consequences for District employees who (1) fail to follow regulations regarding the restrictions placed on student-athletes who have sustained brain injuries or have experienced Cardiac Events, and (2) fail to follow the reporting requirements for student-athlete brain injuries and Cardiac Events.

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