

**BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY
REGARDING AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS**

In accordance with Section 917 of the N.Y. Education Law, the District shall provide and maintain on-site at each school facility automated external defibrillator (“AED”) equipment.

The Board of Education (the “Board”) delegates to the Superintendent of Schools (the “Superintendent”) the responsibility to adopt administrative procedures to ensure ready and appropriate access to AED equipment during emergencies. Such administrative procedures shall include, without limitation:

1. Whenever the District’s instructional school facilities are used for school-sponsored or school-approved curricular or extracurricular events or activities, the school officials and administrators responsible for such school facility shall ensure the presence of at least one staff person trained in the operation and use of AED equipment.
2. Whenever a school-sponsored athletic contest is held at any location, the school officials and administrators responsible for such athletic contest shall ensure the presence of at least one staff person trained in the operation and use of AED equipment. Where a school-sponsored competitive athletic event is held at a site other than a public school facility, school officials shall ensure that AED equipment is provided on-site at such event.
3. The requirement that the District enter into a collaborative agreement with: (a) a physician who has knowledge and experience in the delivery of emergency cardiac care; or (b) a hospital licensed under Article 28 of the N.Y. Public Health Law that provides emergency cardiac care (the “Emergency Health Care Provider”). The collaborative agreement shall include a written agreement and written practice protocols, and policies and procedures addressing the possession and operation of the AED equipment.
4. The requirement that no person operate an AED unless such person has successfully completed a training course in the operation of an AED approved by a nationally-recognized organization or the N.Y.S. Emergency Medical Services Council. This requirement, however, shall not prohibit operation of an AED by a health care provider licensed or certified under Title VIII of the N.Y. Education Law, a person certified under Article 30 of the N.Y. Public Health Law and acting within the scope of his or her practice, or a person acting pursuant to a lawful prescription.

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5. The requirement that the AED equipment be maintained and tested according to applicable standards of the manufacturer and any appropriate government agency.
6. The requirement that the District notify their Regional Emergency Medical Services Council of the existence, location and type of any AED it possesses.
7. That every use of an AED on a person be immediately reported to the appropriate local emergency medical services system, emergency communications center or emergency vehicle dispatch center (as appropriate) and promptly reported to the Emergency Health Care Provider.
8. That the Emergency Health Care Provider participate in the regional quality improvement program pursuant to Section 3004-a(1) of the N.Y. Public Health Law.

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