

PELHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT POLICY EBBC/JLCE – EMERGENCY CARE AND FIRST AID

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All School personnel have responsibilities in connection with injuries and emergencies occurring in school and at school-sponsored events, which may be classified as follows: (1) administering first aid; (2) summoning medical assistance; (3) notifying administration; (4) notifying parents; and (5) filing accident/injury reports.

School personnel must use reasonable judgment in handling injuries and emergencies. All personnel will understand the proper steps to be taken in the event of an injury or emergency.

The Superintendent will ensure that at least one other person on staff, aside from the school nurse, has a current first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation certification (CPR). If the school nurse or licensed practical nurse is not available, the person(s) who have a current first aid and CPR certification is authorized to administer first aid and CPR as needed.

The school will obtain at the start of each school year emergency contact information of parents or legal guardians for each student and staff member, and it will be entered into the District electronic database.

The school physician, school nurse, or specially trained staff members shall assist in the treatment of injuries or emergency situations. Such individuals have the authority to administer oxygen in case of a medical emergency, if available and if appropriate. This authorization extends to administering oxygen to students without prior notification to parents/guardians.

The school nurse or other designated personnel may administer other medications to students in emergency situations, provided such personnel have all training as is required by law. Such medication may also be administered in emergency situations if a student's medical action plan has been filed and updated with the school district to the extent required by law. The district will maintain all necessary records relative to the emergency administration of medication and will file all such reports as may be required.

Consistent with state law, the school nurse may maintain a supply of asthma-related rescue medication and the emergency medication epinephrine (i.e. "epi-pen"). The school physician, if any, the school nurse, or specially trained staff members may also administer epinephrine to any student in case of a medical emergency, if appropriate. This authorization extends to administering epinephrine without prior notification to parents/guardians. The school nurse or other designated personnel may administer or make available to self-administer a bronchodilator, spacer, or nebulizer to a student who has been diagnosed with asthma for use in emergency or other situations as determined by the school nurse.

Accident reports must be prepared and filed consistent with Board policy EBBB.

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The District does not provide student accident insurance. However, parents are encouraged to secure student accident insurance coverage.

District Policy History:

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Revised: March 8, 2023

Legal References:

RSA 200:40, Emergency Care

RSA 200:40-a, Administration of Oxygen by School Nurse

RSA 200:44-a, Anaphylaxis Training Required

RSA 200:54, Supply of Bronchodilators, Spacers or Nebulizers

RSA 200:55, Administration of Bronchodilator, Space or Nebulizer

Ed 306.04(a)(21), Emergency Care For Students And School Personnel

Ed 306.12, School Health Services