

**FIRST AID
(AND EMERGENCY CARE)**

First aid is care given to protect the life and comfort of a child until authorized treatment is secured. It should be limited to first care only, following which the child should be placed under the care of his/her parents, upon whom rests the responsibility for subsequent treatment.

Each school shall assume the responsibility for the immediate care of those involved in accidents which occur in school during school sponsored and supervised activities. The school cannot assume responsibility for the care of those involved in accidents occurring at home or during non-school sponsored programs. It is desirable that all school personnel become familiar with basic first aid care.

Persons trained in first aid should be designated to be called if the school nurse is not available. Slight injuries should be treated by the teacher present at the time of the accident – when in doubt, contact the school nurse for advice. A daily log of students and personnel needing health assistance should be kept.

In the event of a serious injury to a student, the family or guardian shall be notified as soon as possible. They shall decide what physician shall treat their child; and whether to pick up the child at the school or meet the child at the nearest medical hospital in cases needing emergency room care. In the case of a student requiring immediate emergency room care, or the parents cannot be reached, the local ambulance service/rescue squad will be contacted to provide transportation.

The Principal must be notified at once of all accidents or illness of any consequence. A detailed accident report should be made immediately after other essentials are completed in order to insure accuracy. Information should include: name of injured child, date, time of day, place, extent of injury, first aid given, disposition of case (name or person under whose supervision the child was at the time of the accident.)

See Appendix: EBBA-R

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