

5300 USE OF DEFIBRILLATOR(S)

The Board of Education is committed to providing the highest quality of care to its pupils.

Consistent with this commitment, the Board will have available a defibrillator in a central location or school nurse's office in the school(s).

The school nurse will ensure the defibrillator is tested and maintained according to the manufacturer's operational guidelines and will notify the local first aid, ambulance, rescue squad or other appropriate emergency medical provider that a defibrillator(s) is available, the type of defibrillator and its exact location in each school building.

The defibrillator will be located in each building so it may be readily accessible by designated staff members that have been trained in cardio-pulmonary resuscitation and the use of a defibrillator.

The school nurse will be responsible to arrange for training in cardio-pulmonary resuscitation and the use of a defibrillator for staff members designated by the school nurse. The staff member training will be in accordance with N.J.S.A. 2A:62A-25. Successful completion and current certification from the American Red Cross, American Heart Association or other training programs recognized by the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of a defibrillator is required. A person will not use the defibrillator until he/she has successfully completed a recognized training program and holds a current certification.

The school physician shall review this Policy prior to the district acquiring a defibrillator.

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