

RESPONSE TO STUDENT INJURY OR ILLNESS PROCEDURE

Evaluation

When a student is injured or ill at a program or during any program-sponsored activity to any degree, it is the responsibility of staff to see that immediate care and attention is provided to the student unless or until the staff member is relieved by a staff member certified in first aid, a nurse, a doctor, or emergency personnel.

Except in cases of very minor injuries (e.g., cuts, scrapes, rug burns) that, in the judgement of the cooperative program nurse, staff member certified in first aid or program administrator designee, do not pose a serious health risk to the student and will not worsen if the student remains at the program, the program administrator or designee and cooperative school nurse (if not already notified) will be promptly notified of any student's: 1) injury; 2) illness; or 3) physical trauma that could have caused injuries as yet unobservable.

The cooperative program nurse or a staff member certified in first aid will determine whether the injury, illness or trauma is serious enough to warrant calling 911. Upon a finding that it is not, either individual will provide appropriate first aid to the student consistent with his/her training.

Emergency Treatment

Upon recommendation of the cooperative program nurse or a staff member certified in first aid, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) will be called immediately and the student will be transported to the hospital by EMS. Students with uncontrolled bleeding and those who have suffered temporary suffocation, cardiac arrest, fractures or head, neck, eye, ear or spinal injuries will only be moved and transported by EMS.

Parent/Guardian or Emergency Contact Notification

Except in cases of very minor injuries as described above, the program administrator or designee will notify the parent/guardian (or, if the parent/guardian cannot be reached, the emergency contact), to advise them of the student's condition as soon as practicable.

The student's parent/guardian or emergency contact will decide, in non-emergency cases, whether: 1) the parent/guardian or emergency contact will transport the student to the hospital; 2) the parent/guardian or emergency contact will pick up the student or 3) the student will remain at the program.

Advanced Directives

The NWESD 189 will consult with its legal counsel prior to accepting any advance directives to physicians to limit medical treatment.

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