

**Provo City School District
Policy Series 3000: Students**

Policy No. 3412

Automated External Defibrillator (AED)

The purpose of this AED program is to provide to the extent possible a timely response to a victim (student, staff, parent, guest) of Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA), during regular school hours and for onsite, school sponsored activities held outside of regular school hours.

Each school and school district facility will be equipped with one or more AEDs. As a general rule, elementary schools will have between one and two (1-2) AEDs, middle schools will have between two and three (2-3) AEDs, and high schools will have between three to five (3-5) AEDs.

AED placement in each building is based on the following criteria: 1) the goal to provide a timely response; 2) the parts of the facility that are open and closed during school sponsored activities; and 3) the video camera surveillance.

School principals and facility administrators will identify and maintain a team of individuals who are certified in basic first aid and cardio pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and who have received specific training pertaining to the defibrillator. These individuals are considered the primary responders when an SCA event should occur. However, volunteer responders are encouraged to respond to SCA events and provide care, including CPR and defibrillation until a primary responder or advanced care arrives.

School principals (or designee) will inspect each AED on a monthly basis according to the district's AED maintenance procedure.

According to the Utah Sudden Cardiac Arrest Survival Act, individuals need not be trained or certified to administer Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) or to use an AED when a person reasonably believes that a person is in SCA. A person who performs CPR or uses an AED on a person in SCA is not subject to civil liability according to the conditions listed in the act.

When the AED is potentially going to be deployed, 911 should be called in conjunction with its use.

The Board directs the Superintendent to develop procedures which ensure that district staff be trained on how to respond to an SCA incident, administer an AED to a victim, and maintain the AED device.

Legal References:

Synopsis:

[Utah Code 26-8b-201](#)

Legal immunity in administering AED to SCA victims

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