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### **Purpose**

The Board is committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for the school community.

Maintaining automated external defibrillator (AED) units **and staff trained in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR)** in the schools enables responders to deliver early defibrillation and resuscitation to victims.

### **Authority**

**Except in extenuating circumstances, each school shall have one (1) person certified in the use of cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) during regular school hours when school is in session and students are present.**[\[1\]](#)

The automated external defibrillator (AED) units are owned by the district and shall be properly maintained and located in secure and accessible locations.

The automated external defibrillator (AED) units shall be used in accordance with approved district procedures.

### **Guidelines**

A Core Team shall be trained in CPR and AED procedures by completing a training program offered by approved providers. Members of the team shall be provided opportunities for annual training and retraining.

Written guidelines for medical emergencies related to the use of automated external defibrillator (AED) units shall be provided to all members of the core team.

Responders' use of automated external defibrillator (AED) units shall not replace the care provided by emergency medical services (EMS) providers. Patient care shall be transferred to the EMS providers upon their arrival.

### **Delegation of Responsibility**

The Superintendent or designee shall develop and disseminate **administrative regulations** that detail the use of automated external defibrillator (AED) **units**.

Automated external defibrillator (AED) units may be used by all members of the district's core team who have successfully completed training and any trained volunteer who has a current course completion card.

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[1. 24 P.S. 1424](#)

[24 P.S. 1423](#)

[42 Pa. C.S.A. 8332](#)

[42 Pa. C.S.A. 8331.2](#)

[42 Pa. C.S.A. 8337.1](#)

Pol. 123.2