

**BARNSTEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT
Emergency Care and First Aid**

All Barnstead Elementary School personnel have responsibilities in connection with injuries and emergencies occurring in school and at school-sponsored events, which may be classified as follows: (1) administering first aid; (2) summoning medical assistance; (3) notifying administration; (4) notifying parents; and (5) filing accident/injury reports.

School personnel must use reasonable judgment in handling injuries and emergencies. Caution should be exercised not to minimize or maximize any injury or illness. All personnel will understand the proper steps to be taken in the event of an injury or emergency.

The Superintendent will ensure that at least one other person on staff, aside from the school nurse, has current first aid and cardiopulmonary certification (CPR). If the school nurse or licensed practical nurse is not available, the person(s) who have current first aid and CPR certification is authorized to administer first aid and CPR as needed.

The school will obtain, at the start of each school year, emergency contact information of parents or legal guardian for each student and staff member.

The school nurse, or specially trained staff members shall assist in the treatment of injuries or emergency situations. Such individuals have the authority to administer oxygen in case of a medical emergency, if available and if appropriate. This authorization extends to administering oxygen to students without prior notification to parents/guardians.

Additionally, the school nurse, or specially trained staff members may also administer epinephrine to any student in case of a medical emergency, if appropriate. This authorization extends to administering epinephrine without prior notification to parents/guardians.

For significant injuries, the staff person witnessing the event must fill out an accident report, which must be submitted to administration so that he/she is informed and a basis is established for the proper processing of insurance claims and remediation if necessary.

If transportation via ambulance is necessary and the parent cannot be reached and the ambulance staff assumes charge of the case, the parent should be notified of this fact at the earliest possible moment. The nurse, or the Principal, or a member of the Principal's staff who is in charge of the activity, shall accompany the pupil to the hospital unless the Principal directs otherwise.

The District makes it possible for parents to subscribe to student accident insurance at low rates. This program is offered each year during September. The District does not provide student accident insurance.

Legal References:

RSA 200:40, Emergency Care; RSA 200:40-a, Administration of Oxygen by School Nurse; Ed 306.04(a)(21), Emergency Care For Students and School Personnel; Ed 306.12, School Health Services; Appendix: JLCE-R

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