

SCHOOL DISTRICT - COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Code No. 905.3

Policy Title: Public Access Defibrillation Program

The Northeast Community School district has made a commitment to being a viable link in this community's chain of survival. In response to this commitment, the elementary, middle school, and high school buildings will have available in their public assembly areas an Automatic External Defibrillator (AED).

The AED shall be used in emergency situations warranting its use by individuals specifically trained in the use of the device. This should include an emergency response plan and specific protocols for the use of the AED.

The Automatic External Defibrillators program will be managed by the school nurse.

The Public Access Defibrillator (PAD) program will be registered with the Iowa Department of Public Health, as required by law, and all applicable documents will be submitted to the current contact person, Ray Jones.

AED usage and training will follow American Heart Association and American Red Cross guidelines:

- Place only on unconscious, unresponsive, pulse-less, non-breathing victims who experience sudden cardiac arrest;
- Place only on victims over the age of eight years of age or 55 pounds weight;
- Place and use only by trained responders.

The local EMS provider, Preston Fire Department, will be notified of the existence and placement of the AEDs at the schools.

In the event of AED use, EMS will be immediately and simultaneously activated by calling 911.

Weekly and post-usage maintenance checks of AEDs will be per the school nurse or her designee.

Records pertaining to the Northeast Community School's PAD program will be on file at the nurse's office in each building.

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