

Automated External Defibrillators (AED)

The Clarkston Board of Directors recognizes that by equipping schools with automated external defibrillators (AEDs) and training employees and students in their use, the potential to save lives in the event of a health emergency, including cardiac arrest, is increased. The board authorizes the district to place AEDs at designated school sites. Schools and district facilities with an AED on site will train selected staff in their use according to the guidelines provided by the Washington State Department of Health. Beginning with the 2013–14 school year, instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation, to include appropriate use of an AED, will be included in at least one health class necessary for graduation. This policy does not create any implied or express guarantee, or obligation to use an AED, nor does it create an expectation that an AED or a trained employee or student will be present and able to use an AED, even if a condition arose that made the use of an AED beneficial.

A person who uses an AED at the scene of an emergency and all other persons and entities providing services are immune from civil liability for any personal injury that results from any act or omission in the use of the AED in an emergency setting, unless the acts or omissions amount to gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct.

The superintendent has developed procedures for the placement, maintenance, and use of AEDs in schools in Procedure 3418P.

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| Cross References: | Policy 2410 Policy 3418 Procedure 3418 | High School Graduation Requirements Emergency Treatment Emergency Treatment |
| Legal References: | RCW 4.24.300 Chapter 28A.230 RCW RCW 70.54.310 | Immunity from liability for certain types of medical care Compulsory Course Work and Activities Semiautomatic external defibrillator – Duty of Acquirer–Immunity from Civil Liability |
| Management Resources: | <i>Policy and Legal News</i> , September 2013 <i>Policy News</i> , April 2011 | One health class required for graduation must now include instruction in CPR and AED Legal Aspects of Defibrillator Use Defined |

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