The Seattle School Board recognizes that by equipping sites with automated external defibrillators (AEDs), and informing employees and students regarding their use, increases the potential to save lives in the event of a cardiac arrest. Therefore, the Board authorizes the district to place AEDs at designated district sites.

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 will be present, even if a condition arose that made the use of an AED beneficial.

District instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) will include appropriate use of an AED. Training in the use of AED will comply with the guidelines provided by the Washington State Department of Health.

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 or his/her designee will develop procedures for the placement, maintenance, and use of AEDs in schools.

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Cross Reference: Policy Nos. 2410; 3432
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Previous Policies:
Legal References: RCW 4.24.300 Immunity from liability for certain types of medical care; RCW Chapter 28A.230 Compulsory Course Work and Activities; RCW 70.54.310 Semiautomatic external defibrillator – Duty of Acquirer – Immunity from Civil Liability
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