

# SAUCON VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: OPERATIONS

TITLE: AUTOMATED EXTERNAL  
DEFIBRILLATOR (AED)

ADOPTED:

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822. AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR (AED)	
1. Purpose	<b>The Board is committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for the school community. Maintaining automated external defibrillators (AED) in the schools enables trained responders to deliver early defibrillation to victims of sudden cardiac arrest.</b>
2. Definition	An <b>automated external defibrillator (AED)</b> is used to treat victims who experience sudden cardiac arrest (SCA). It is only to be applied to victims who are unconscious, without a pulse and not breathing. The AED will analyze the heart rhythm and advise the operator if a shockable rhythm is detected. If a shockable rhythm is detected, the AED will charge to the appropriate energy level and advise the operator to deliver a shock.
3. Authority	<b>The automated external defibrillator (AED) units are owned by the district and shall be properly maintained and located in secure and accessible locations.</b>  <b>The automated external defibrillator (AED) units shall be used in accordance with approved district procedures.</b>
<del>4. Guidelines</del>	<b>Written guidelines for medical emergencies related to the use of automated external defibrillators (AED) shall be provided to all members of the core team.</b>
<sup>4</sup> / <sub>5</sub> . Delegation of Responsibility	The school official who is responsible for AEDs is the <del>Director of Campus Operation</del> <sup>Superintendent</sup> . Responsibilities include: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Selection of medical emergency response team (MERT) members and distribution of MERT member lists as required.</li> <li>2. Coordination of training for emergency responders.</li> <li>3. Coordinating equipment and accessory maintenance.</li> <li>4. Revision of this procedure as required.</li> </ol>

<p>Pol. 203.1</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>5. Monitoring the effectiveness of this system.</li><li>6. Communication with medical director on issues related to medical emergency response program including post-event reviews.</li></ol> <p>Applicable documents include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. General safety and health standard.</li><li>2. County AED Guideline.</li><li>3. Medical emergency action plan.</li><li>4. Infection control procedure for occupational exposure to bloodborne pathogens.</li><li>5. State immunity from liability exclusion.</li></ol> <p>The medical advisor of the AED program <b>shall be approved by the district</b>. The medical advisor of the AED program is responsible for:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Proving medical direction for use of AEDs.</li><li>2. Writing a prescription for AEDs.</li><li>3. Reviewing and approving guidelines for emergency procedures related to use of AEDs and CPR.</li><li>4. Evaluation of post-event review forms and digital files downloaded from the AED.</li></ol> <p>The AED may be used by:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Members of the district's MERT who have successfully completed training.</li><li>2. Any trained team member or volunteer responder who has successfully completed an approved CPR and AED training program within the last two (2) years and has a current successful course completion certification.</li></ol>
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School Code

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PA Statute

42 Pa. C.S.A.

Sec. 8331.2, 8337.1