

Automated External Defibrillators

The Buhl School District Board of Trustees recognizes the need to make Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs) available in its buildings. Early access defibrillation has been recognized as a significant factor in the survival of incidents of sudden cardiac arrest. Therefore, it is the policy of the District that the implementation and use of AEDs is authorized in the buildings of the District in accordance with Idaho Code §5-337.

The Superintendent shall work with the principals to develop a program with procedures governing the use of the AEDs within the District. The program procedures shall be incorporated into the District's Emergency Preparedness Plan.

The Superintendent shall designate the school principals to monitor the program and ensure that all designated responders are properly trained and that AEDs are properly maintained. The District will notify the Emergency Health Care Provider of the existence, location of AED units, and type of defibrillator in each building.

Employees will be authorized to utilize an AED only after successfully completing initial and recurrent training courses approved by the American Heart Association for AEDs and CPR. The District will provide American Heart Association AED training for employees deemed to require such training by the Superintendent. Employees who are certified will be designated as authorized users after a review of their credentials and approval by the Superintendent.

Requirements for the frequency of recurrent training will be as specified by the issuing organization of the individual employees' certification. Acceptable certification will consist of completion of an American Heart Association AED and CPR course.

Legal Reference: I.C. § 5-337      Immunity for Use of Automated External Defibrillator (AED)

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