

AGHS Staff Quick Thinking and Skilled Response Save a Life

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On January 10, a visitor to the Avon Grove High School main office suddenly became unresponsive. 911 was called and school nurses Colleen Munger and Karen Flad (pictured) quickly arrived on the scene.

When no pulse was found, the nurses applied the AED machine and provided oxygen via a mask. CPR was initiated and continued until Emergency Medical Services arrived on the scene. Breathing resumed and the guest was taken by ambulance to receive additional care. The nurses' quick thinking and skilled responses helped to save a life that day.

The Superintendent and Board of School Directors will be publicly recognizing Ms. Flad and Ms. Munger at the January 25 Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the AGIS Audion.

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The School District's and the nurses' permissions was obtained to allow this information be published in other sources. Ms. Flad summed it up in her response, "Both Colleen and I hope this will help promote what wide a scope the role of the certified school nurse actually entails.

Although honored to have had the article written, we both feel this is in the realm of what all school nurses could encounter on any school day. All school nurses make a difference in the lives of those they take care of each and every day – we just happened to have been more visible in the main office than most school nurse services that are normally performed behind school nurse health rooms (doors)."