

## FIRST AID AND EMERGENCY CARE

### **5142.**

In general, students requiring emergency care while under the supervision of the Meriden Public Schools (the "District") shall receive immediate attention and first aid, where necessary, from a school nurse.

If a child's injury is life-threatening, the student shall be transported to the nearest hospital unless otherwise indicated on the student's health emergency card. In such instances, the parent and/or guardian shall be contacted immediately by telephone by the nurse, the building principal, or other personnel designated by the principal, and advised of the student's location and/or condition.

If a child's injury is non-life threatening, but requires emergency care from a medical professional other than a nurse, the student's parent or guardian shall be contacted by the nurse, the building principal, or other personnel designated by the principal, and advised of the student's condition. When immediate medical or dental attention is indicated on the student's health emergency card, and the parents or guardians cannot be reached, the student will be transported to the nearest hospital unless otherwise indicated on the student's health emergency card. In such instances, the person(s) listed as emergency contacts shall be contacted and notified of the District's actions.

Health emergency cards shall be maintained for each student containing all necessary data such as names, addresses and telephone numbers of the parent or guardian, family physician and dentist, designated hospital, and names of relatives or persons to be contacted if the parents cannot be reached.

### **Legal Reference:**

Connecticut State Statutes, Section 10-212

Connecticut State Statutes, Section 10-212a

### **Cross Reference:**

Policy 5151.1 (Health Records)

Policy 5141.21 (Administering Medicines to Students)

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