

Washington County Board of Education

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**Automatic External Defibrillator
(AED)**

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Automatic External Defibrillator (AED)

The AED shall be used in emergency situations warranting its use by individuals specifically trained in the use of the device. This will be done according to the written Emergency Response Plan at each site and in accordance with procedure/protocols related to the use of the AED.

An automatic external defibrillator (AED) will be maintained on the premises of each school campus and administrative facility for use in accordance with the following provisions:

- A. Users of the AED will receive training using a nationally recognized course in defibrillator use and cardiopulmonary resuscitation such as the American Red Cross or the American Heart Association.
- B. The defibrillator will be maintained and tested according to the recommendations of the manufacturer.
- C. Any person rendering emergency care that includes the use of the AED will activate the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) system as soon as possible.
- D. The location of all AEDs will be registered with Washington County Emergency Medical Services.

It will be the responsibility of Health Services to ensure that the AED will be used according to a written Emergency Response Plan at each site, which specifies:

- A. Where the AED is located.
- B. Authorized individuals to use AED.
- C. How the AED is coordinated with local EMS providers.
- D. Record keeping and documentation requirements
- E. Proper procedure for use of the AED.

Washington County Board of Education shall not be liable for any civil liability for any personal injury that results from an act or omission that does not amount to willful or wanton misconduct or gross negligence if the applicable provisions and program established under TCA 68-140-704 and the rules adopted by the department pursuant by TCA 68-14-705 have been met by WCDE and have been followed by the individuals using the AED.

Any person, including licensed health care providers, who in good faith renders emergency care, including the use of an AED, or any person who in good faith assists in rendering emergency care, including the use of an AED shall not be liable to such victims or person receiving emergency care for any civil damages as a result of any act or omission, or act or failure to act, except when such damages may result from the gross negligence of the person rendering such medial care. This is commonly known as the "Good Samaritan Law."

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TCA 68-140-703 – Use of AED devices – Training – Maintenance – Registration
TCA 68-140-704 – Program for use of AEDs
TCA 68-140-706 – Limitation on liability of entity responsible for program
TCA 68-140-707 – Limitation on liability of trainers
TCA 68-140-708 – Training and demonstration of competence in CPR and use of AED
TCA 68-140-710 – Automated external defibrillator defined
TCA 63-6-218 – Good Samaritan Law