

## VENTURA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

**BOARD POLICY NO. 5141**

**ADOPTED: 02/24/97**

**CLASSIFICATION: Students**

**REVISED: 03/22/99  
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07/28/14**

**SUBJECT: Student Health Care and Emergencies**

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The Board recognizes the importance of taking appropriate action whenever an accident or illness threatens the safety, health or welfare of a student at school or during school-sponsored activities. To facilitate immediate contact with parents/guardians on such occasions, the Board requires parents/guardians to furnish the schools with the current information specified below:

1. Home address and telephone number.
2. Parent/guardian's business address and telephone number.
3. Name, address and telephone number of a relative or friend who is authorized by the parent/guardian to care for the student in cases of emergency when the parent/guardian cannot be reached.
4. Local physician to call in case of emergency.

Students being released for health care and emergencies reasons must be checked out of the school through the school office by the parent/guardian or their designee.

Under Education Code Section 49407, no officer of any school or school principal shall be held liable for the reasonable treatment of a student without the consent of the parent/guardian when the student is ill or injured during the regular school hours, requiring reasonable medical treatment, and the parent/guardian cannot be reached, unless a written objection to medical treatment has been filed with the school.

The Board believes that staff members should not be placed in the position of determining whether or not to follow any parental or medical "do not resuscitate" orders. Staff shall not accept or follow any such orders. In addition, staff shall not take responsibility for accepting, maintaining and transmitting to emergency medical care personnel any written requests from parents that emergency services be withheld.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all parents/guardians are informed of this policy.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

49407	Liability for treatment
49408	Emergency information
49471	Medical and hospital services not provided or available
49472	Medical and hospital services for pupils
49474	Ambulance services
51202	Instruction in personal and public health and safety

CIVIL CODE

1714.21	Defibrillators; CPR; immunity from civil liability
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CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 8

5193	California Bloodborne Pathogens Standard
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