SOUTHERN LEHIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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SECTION: OPERATIONS

TITLE: AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR (AED) / CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION (CPR)

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	820. AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR (AED)/ CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION (CPR)
1. Purpose	The Board is committed to providing a healthful environment. The purpose of this policy is to be prepared to treat victims who experience sudden cardiac arrest (SCA).
	Maintaining automated external defibrillator (AED) units and staff trained in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) in the schools enables responders to deliver early defibrillation and resuscitation to victims.
2. Authority SC 1424	Except in extenuating circumstances, each school shall have one (1) person certified in the use of cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) during regular school hours when school is in session and students are present.
	The automated external defibrillator (AED) units are owned by the district and shall be properly maintained and located in secure and accessible locations.
	The automated external defibrillator (AED) units shall be used in accordance with approved district procedures.
3.Guidelines	A Core Team shall be trained in CPR and AED procedures by completing a training program offered by approved providers. Members of the team shall be provided opportunities for annual training and retraining.
	Written guidelines for medical emergencies related to the use of automated external defibrillator (AED) units shall be provided to all members of the core team.
	Responders' use of automated external defibrillator (AED) units shall not replace the care provided by emergency medical services (EMS) providers. Patient care shall be transferred to the EMS providers upon their arrival.

4.	Delegation of Responsibility	The medical advisor of the AED program shall be the school physician. All members of the medical emergency response team who have successfully completed training or any trained volunteer responder who has successfully completed an approved CPR and AED training program and has a current successful course completion card may use the AED.
		References:
		School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1423, 1424
		Civil Immunity for Use of Automated External Defibrillator and First Aid – 42 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 8331.2, 8337.1
		Nonmedical Good Samaritan Civil Immunity – 42 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 8332
		Board Policy – 000, 123.2