M.S.A.D. #12 POLICY
AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS (AEDS)

The Board recognizes that from time to time medical emergencies may arise that warrant the use of an automated external defibrillator (AED). Forest Hills School may acquire one or more AED’s for use in its schools and at school athletic events.

The Superintendent shall be responsible for developing, in consultation with the school physician or other qualified expert, protocols for the use, storage, location, testing, and maintenance of the school unit’s AEDs, and for identification of school personnel who should be trained in the use of an AED.

The authorization for acquisition, placement, and use of AEDs in the school or at school activities is not to be construed as an assertion or guarantee that an AED or a person trained in its use will be available at any particular school site or school-sponsored event. Absent gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct, the school unit and its staff or any other persons who use, attempt to use, or fail to use a school unit-owned AED in response to a perceived sudden cardiac arrest emergency are, by law, immune from civil liability for damages.

Legal Reference: 14 MRSA § 164
                      20-A MRSA §§ 4009, 6304
                      22 MRSA § 2150-C

Cross Reference:  EBCA - Crisis Response Plan
                      JLCE - First Aid and Emergency Medical Care

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