AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS

AVAILABILITY

CAMPUS

Each school district shall make available at each campus in the District at least one automated external defibrillator, as defined by Health and Safety Code 779.001. A campus defibrillator must be readily available during any University Interscholastic League (UIL) athletic competition held on the campus. In determining the location at which to store a campus defibrillator, the principal shall consider the primary location on campus where students engage in athletic activities.

ATHLETIC PRACTICE

To the extent practicable, the District, in cooperation with the UIL, shall make reasonable efforts to ensure that a defibrillator is available at each UIL athletic practice held at a District campus. If the District is not able to make a defibrillator available in such a manner, the District shall determine the extent to which a defibrillator must be available at each UIL athletic practice held at a District campus. The determination must be based, in addition to any other appropriate considerations, on relevant medical information.

ATHLETIC COMPETITION

The District, in cooperation with the UIL, shall determine the extent to which a defibrillator must be available at each UIL athletic competition held at a location other than a District campus. The determination must be based, in addition to any other appropriate considerations, on relevant medical information and whether emergency services personnel are present at the athletic competition under a contract with the District.

TRAINED STAFF

The District shall ensure the presence at each location at which a defibrillator is required above of at least one campus or District employee trained in the proper use of the defibrillator at any time a substantial number of District students are present at the location.

USE AND MAINTENANCE

The District shall ensure that an automated external defibrillator is used and maintained in accordance with standards established under Health and Safety Code Chapter 779.

Education Code 38.017

INSTRUCTION

The District shall annually make available to District employees and volunteers instruction in the principles and techniques of cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of an automated external defibrillator, as defined by Health and Safety Code 779.001. The instruction must meet the guidelines approved under Health and Safety Code 779.002.

Each school nurse, assistant school nurse, athletic coach or sponsor, physical education instructor, marching band director, cheerleading coach, and any other school employee specified by the Commissioner, and each student who serves as an athletic trainer must participate and must receive and maintain certification in the

use of an automated external defibrillator from the American Heart Association, the American Red Cross, or a similar nationally recognized association.

Education Code 22.902

[See CH for information regarding purchase and lease of automated external defibrillators]

RESPONSE TO CARDIAC ARREST

The District shall develop safety procedures for a District or school employee or student to follow in responding to a medical emergency involving cardiac arrest, including the appropriate response time in administering cardiopulmonary resuscitation, using an automated external defibrillator, as defined by Health and Safety Code 779.001, or calling a local emergency medical services provider. *Education Code 38.018*