

**Student Injuries**

**Policy No. 504.4**

The Board of Education, School District No. 91 (Nechako Lakes) believes that parents/guardians have primary responsibility for providing proper medical attention to students in the event of a student accident or illness. When the parents/guardians are unavailable, the school district, through staff must assume specific responsibility for supporting students with injury or illness while at school or engaged in school-related activities.

All district employees are expected to focus on the prevention of accidents and protect students from foreseeable risks of injury or harm. Employees must exercise responsible care and decision making in response to student illness or injury. Wherever possible, employees with first aid training are to examine an ill or injured student to determine the nature and extent of the illness or injury before proceeding further. Where such an employee is not immediately available, staff members are expected to act as judicious parent and act in the best interest of the ill or injured student.

~~The Board of Education, School District No. 91 (Nechako Lakes), realizes that circumstances specific to a large, sparsely populated northern geographic area such as School District No. 91 (Nechako Lakes) creates difficulties in dealing with student injuries.~~

~~School District employees shall be regularly familiarized with appropriate practices to deal with student injuries.~~

~~It is desirable that each school in the district has at least one employee competent in first aid, or alternatively, has quick access to a first aid attendant.~~

~~The procedures for reporting injuries and contacting parents are specified in the Regulations accompanying this policy.~~