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POLICY STATEMENT

The Strait Regional School Board recognizes that sudden and unexpected illness or injury can be a frightening experience for students, especially when the parent or guardian is not immediately available to provide support. The Board will take appropriate steps to provide a standard of care for the ill or injured student that is consistent with the apparent seriousness of the problem.

GUIDELINES

1. Illness or injury during regular school time
 - 1.1 (a) If a student is excused from school due to illness or injury, the principal or his/her designate will contact the parent/guardian to make arrangements to have the student picked up at the school, when possible.
 - (b) If the student requires **school bus wheelchair transportation** or is transported via private conveyance (i.e. a contract driver), the principal will contact Pupil Transportation and the parent/guardian to have someone at home to receive the student.
 - 1.2 If the illness or injury is of a nature that requires **ambulance service to a hospital**, the principal will call 911 and make arrangements to contact the parent or guardian. The principal will assign a member of teaching staff to accompany the student in the ambulance and to remain at the hospital until a parent/guardian arrives.
2. Illness or injury while on the school bus
 - 2.1 The Strait Regional School Board will support bus drivers through professional development initiatives focused on emergency medical training and other safety procedures.

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- 2.2. If a student becomes ill or injured while on the school bus, the bus driver shall park the vehicle in a safe area, assess the condition of the student to the best of his/her ability and administer first aid, if required. If assistance is required, Transportation dispatch shall be called. The driver shall make the student as comfortable as possible and move them to a seat where they can be monitored.

- 2.3 If the illness or injury is of a serious nature, the driver will immediately administer first aid and then contact Transportation dispatch. Transportation dispatch shall contact 911 for ambulance service and shall also contact the school principal as soon as possible. The school principal will notify the parent/guardian and, if necessary, assign a staff member to go to the hospital until the parent/guardian arrives.