

The health and safety of students is the primary concern of the Cherokee County Board of Education. It is the policy of the Cherokee County Board of Education that all school employees will render emergency care to all its students when appropriate. In emergency situations involving accident or illness, employees are generally expected to (1) render first aid and life sustaining care to the extent of their knowledge and training, and (2) seek assistance of school medical personnel and emergency medical services, when appropriate.

In the event of cardiac or respiratory arrest emergency care will be administered, including CPR and the Heimlich maneuver. Emergency medical services (911) will be called. Upon arrival, emergency medical technicians will assume responsibility for the student's care. *A copy of the student's personal information, including any prescribed medications, will accompany the student to the nearest medical center.*

Students with complex medical conditions attending Cherokee county Schools may have a request to "DO NOT RESUSCITATE." Cherokee County Schools appreciate the difficult medical and emotional decisions that must be made when families choose to limit resuscitating efforts for these students. The Cherokee County Board of Education recognizes that employees do not have the appropriate medical training or experience necessary to properly assess and/or implement a "DO NOT RESUSCITATE" (DNR) order. The Board of Education is not required by law to comply with a DNR order request.

Legal Reference: G.S. 115G-307(c)

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