

DO NOT RESUSCITATE ORDERS

1.0 The District is sensitive to the circumstances in which parents may initiate and request DNR orders and advanced directives for their child. It is in the best interests of the District's students and staff not to comply with parental and/or medical directives to refrain from taking reasonable steps to provide life-sustaining emergency care to a student. This belief is held in all situations in which the student is under the supervision of District personnel.

2.0 "Reasonable steps" as used herein include:

2.1 Providing life-sustaining emergency care which, for purposes of this policy, means any procedure or intervention that may prevent a student from dying, who, without such procedure or intervention, faces a risk of imminent death. Examples of life-sustaining emergency care include: efforts to stop bleeding, unblocking airways, mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) by persons holding current certificates, if any, who are present at the time of emergency; and,

2.2 Contacting an ambulance or other appropriate emergency service to respond to the student.

3.0 This policy shall not create an obligation upon District staff members to provide assistance for which they have not been trained or qualified (e.g., CPR or mouth-to-mouth resuscitation).

4.0 Upon commencement of such reasonable steps, immediate action shall be taken to remove other students from the response area.

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5.0 Staff may not be able to locate a Do Not Resuscitate Order or advanced directives and transmit them to emergency service personnel in the midst of an emergency. Parents may elect to have the child wear a "Do Not Resuscitate" bracelet as a means of alerting emergency medical responders of the Order. In addition, it is the parents' responsibility to re-submit the Order to any new district school which the student attends in the future.

6.0 A person who submits a "Do Not Resuscitate Order" to a District staff member shall be referred to Student Services. Student Services staff shall provide such person with this policy and invite him/her to participate in development of a plan to address the student's special needs.

7.0 A copy of the Order shall be forwarded to General Counsel and the Director of Risk Management, and a copy shall be placed in the student's cumulative file. The Order and any individualized plan developed as provided in Section 6.0 shall also be filed by the school's Office Manager in the location identified by the Principal.

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Do Not Resuscitate Order Received:

Administrator Signature

Date

I have received a copy of and am aware of the Adams 12 Five Star Schools Superintendent Policy Code: 5450, Do Not Resuscitate Orders.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

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