## 822. AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR (AED)

### 1. Purpose
The School Reform Commission is committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for the school community. Maintaining automated external defibrillators (AED) in the schools enables trained responders to deliver early defibrillation to victims of sudden cardiac arrest.

### 2. Authority
The automated external defibrillator (AED) units are owned by the district and shall be properly maintained and located in secure and accessible locations. AED units must be checked at the beginning of every school year for batteries and pads.

AED units shall be present at all athletic competitions, including those held at recreation centers.

The automated external defibrillator (AED) units shall be used in accordance with approved district procedures.

### 3. Guidelines
Designated district employees shall be trained in CPR and AED procedures by completing a training program offered by approved providers. Those employees shall be provided opportunities for annual training and retraining.

Written guidelines for medical emergencies related to the use of automated external defibrillators (AED) shall be provided to all designated employees.

### 4. Delegation of Responsibility
The Superintendent or designee shall develop and disseminate administrative procedures that detail the use of automated external defibrillator (AED) systems.

### References:
- School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1423
- Civil Immunity for Use of Automated External Defibrillator and First Aid – 42 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 8331.2, 8337.1