

Safety, Security and Communication**Traumatic Blood Loss Protocol**

The District will implement a traumatic blood loss protocol consistent with the protocols developed by DESE by January 1, 2026. Following protocol development, the District will implement the protocol prior to the end of the 2025-26 school year.

Bleeding Control Kits

The District will require that a bleeding control kit be placed in areas where there is likely to be high traffic or congregation, such as auditoriums, cafeterias, or gymnasiums, and areas where risk of injury may be elevated, including vocational classes such as woodworking or automotive classes, in each District school building such kits will be in an easily accessible location in such areas to be determined by local emergency medical services personnel. The District will include bleeding control kits in the emergency plans of each District school and will include the use of the bleeding control kits in all drills and emergencies. The District will place information about the Stop the Bleed Act on the District's website.

Training

The District will identify a school nurse or school health provider in each school. These staff members will receive annual training in the use of the District's bleeding control kits, including the use of the contents of the kits.

Immunity

This policy does not create a cause of action against the District or any school personnel. Any staff member who in good faith uses a bleeding control kit will be immune from civil liability unless the act constitutes negligence or willful, wanton, or intentional misconduct.

Definitions

"School personnel," any District employee or District volunteer who is designated to use a bleeding control kit.

"Bleeding Control Kit"

- (a) Tourniquets endorsed by the Tactical Combat Casualty Care or approved for use in battlefield trauma by the United States Armed Forces.
- (b) Bleeding control bandages.
- (c) Latex-free protective gear.
- (d) Permanent markers.

(e) Instructional documents developed by the United States Department of Homeland Security.

“Emergency medical services personnel,” paid or volunteer firefighters, law enforcement, first responders, emergency medical technicians, or other emergency services personnel acting within the course and scope of their professions, but excluding physicians.

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