

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to public school educational instruction; creating s. 1003.457, F.S.; requiring school districts to provide high school students with instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of an automated external defibrillator; providing requirements for such instruction; authorizing instructional personnel to facilitate, provide, or oversee instruction under certain circumstances; providing for construction; amending s. 1003.453, F.S.; revising provisions relating to first aid training, to conform; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 1003.457, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

1003.457 Instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and use of automated external defibrillator.-

(1) Each school district shall provide instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and the use of an automated external defibrillator to students in grades 9 through 12 within its health or physical education curriculum. The instruction shall:

(a) Include training in the psychomotor skills necessary to perform CPR and to use an automated external defibrillator.

27 As used in this section, "psychomotor skills" means skills  
 28 learned through hands-on practice that supports cognitive  
 29 learning.

30 (b) Be based upon an instructional program developed by:

31 1. The American Heart Association;

32 2. The American Red Cross; or

33 3. Another nationally recognized program that is based  
 34 upon the most current national evidence-based emergency  
 35 cardiovascular care guidelines for CPR and the use of an  
 36 automated external defibrillator.

37 (2) Instructional personnel may facilitate, provide, or  
 38 oversee instruction in CPR and the use of an automated external  
 39 defibrillator. However, if a school district offers a course  
 40 that results in CPR and automated external defibrillator  
 41 certification, the course must be taught by an instructor  
 42 authorized to conduct an instructional program described in  
 43 paragraph (1) (b).

44 (3) This section does not require a student to become  
 45 certified to administer CPR or to use an automated external  
 46 defibrillator.

47 Section 2. Subsection (3) of section 1003.453, Florida  
 48 Statutes, is amended to read:

49 1003.453 School wellness and physical education policies;  
 50 nutrition guidelines.—

51 (3) School districts are encouraged to provide basic  
 52 training in first aid, ~~including cardiopulmonary resuscitation,~~

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53 | for all students, beginning in grade 6 and every 2 years  
54 | thereafter. For students in grades 6 and 8, this should include  
55 | training in cardiopulmonary resuscitation. Private and public  
56 | partnerships for providing training or necessary funding are  
57 | encouraged.

58 |       Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.

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