Hennessey Public Schools Emergency Action Plan 2021-2022



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Emergency Action Plan

Emergency situations may arise anytime during athletic events. Expedient action must be taken in order to provide the best possible care to the sport participant in emergency and/or life threatening conditions. The development and implementation of an emergency plan will help ensure that the best care will be provided.

As emergencies may occur at any time during an activity, the sports medicine department and athletic staff must be prepared. Athletic Organizations have a duty to develop an emergency plan that may be implemented immediately when necessary and to provide appropriate standards of emergency care to all sports participants. This preparation involves formulation of an emergency plan, proper coverage of events, maintenance of appropriate medical emergency equipment and supplies, utilization of appropriate medical emergency personnel, and continuing education in the area of emergency medicine and planning. Hopefully, through careful preparticipation physical screenings, adequate medical coverage, safe practice and training techniques, and other safety avenues, some potential emergencies may be averted. However, accidents and injuries are inherent with sports participation, and proper preparation on the part of the Sports Medicine Team should enable each emergency situation to be managed appropriately.

Components of the Emergency Action Plan

- 1. Emergency Personnel
- 2. Roles of First Responders
- 3. Emergency Communication
- 4. Emergency Equipment
- 5. Medical Emergency Transportation
- 6. Non-Medical Emergency Safety
- 7. Venue Directions with Map
- 8. Individual Sports/Facilities EAP's
 - a. Hennessey Football Field
 - b. Softball Fields
 - c. Baseball Fields
 - d. Eagle Event Center (Dome or New Gym)
 - e. HHS/HMS Gyms (Old HS Gym)

1. Emergency Action Plan Personnel

During typical athletic practice or competition, the first responder to an emergency is typically a member of the sports medicine staff, most commonly a Certified Athletic Trainer, but may also be a Coach or Administrator. A team Physician may not always be present at every organized practice or competition. The type and degree of sports medicine coverage for an athletic event may vary widely based on such factors as the sport or activity, the setting, the type of training or competition.

2. Roles of First Responders

The development of an emergency action plan cannot be complete without the formation of an emergency team. The emergency team may consist of a number of healthcare providers including Physicians, Emergency Medical Technicians, Certified Athletic Trainers, Graduate Student Athletic Trainers, Student Aides, Coaches, Managers, and possibly bystanders. Roles of these individuals within the emergency team may vary depending on various factors such as the number of members of the team, the athletic venue itself, or the preference of the Head Athletic Trainer. There are four basic roles within the emergency medical team.

- 1. The first and most important role is establishing safety of the scene and immediate care of the athlete. Acute care (immediate care) should be provided by the most qualified individual on the scene. Individuals with lower credentials should yield to those with more appropriate training.
- 2. EMS activation may be necessary in situations where emergency transportation is not already present at the sporting event. This should be done as soon as the situation is deemed an emergency or a life-threatening event. Time is the most critical factor under emergency conditions. Activating the EMS system may be done by anyone on the team. However, the person chosen for this duty should be someone who is calm under pressure and who communicates well over the telephone. This person should also be familiar with the location and address of the sporting event.
- 3. Equipment retrieval may be done by anyone on the emergency team who is familiar with the types and locations of the specific equipment needed. Student athletic trainer aides, managers, and coaches are good choices for this role.
- 4. Directing EMS to the scene is the fourth role. One member of the team should be responsible for meeting emergency medical personnel as they arrive at the site of the emergency. Depending on the ease of access, this person should have keys to any locked gates or doors that may slow the arrival of the medical personnel. An administrator, the athletic director or coach may be appropriate for this role.

ACTIVATING THE EMS SYSTEM

Making the Call:

Notify emergency personnel at 911

Providing Information

- Name, address, telephone number of caller
- Nature of emergency, whether medical or non-medical
- Number of athletes injured
- Condition of athletes (breathing, not breathing, pulse, no pulse, bleeding, conscious, unconscious)
- First Aid treatment initiated by first responder (blood control, CPR, etc.)
- Specific directions as needed to location of injured athlete (see individual sport EAP)
- Other information requested by dispatcher

3. Emergency Communication

Communication is key to quick emergency response. Athletic Trainers and emergency medical personnel must work together to provide the best emergency response capability and should have contact information such as telephone tree established as part of pre-planning for emergency situations. Communication prior to the event is a good way to establish boundaries and to build rapport between both groups of professionals. If emergency medical transportation is not available on site during a particular sporting event, then direct communication with the emergency medical system at the time of the injury or illness is necessary.

Access to a working telephone or other telecommunication device, whether fixed or mobile, should be assured. The communications system should be checked prior to each practice or competition to ensure proper working order. A back-up communication plan should be in effect should there be failure of the primary communication system. A cellular phone is preferred if available. At any athletic venue, whether home or away, it is important to know the location of a workable telephone. Pre-arranged access to the phone should be established if not easily accessible.

4. Emergency Equipment

All necessary emergency equipment should be at the site and quickly accessible. An automated external defibrillator (AED) will be present during all athletic practices and competitions. During regular afterschool practices, the AED is located wherever the Certified Athletic Trainer is present which is in the Field House Athletic Training Room or on the football field. During home events, it will be located on the sideline, court, or dugout depending upon the sporting event that is taking place. If there are multiple sports taking place at the same time, the Certified Athletic Trainer will use his/her discretion as to the location of the AED. Personnel

should be familiar with the function and operation of each type of emergency equipment. Equipment should be in good operating condition, and personnel must be trained in advance to use it properly. Emergency equipment available should be appropriate for the level of training for the emergency medical providers. Creating an equipment inspection log book for continued inspection is strongly recommended. It is recommended that a few members of the emergency team be trained and responsible for the care of the equipment.

It is important to know the proper way to care for and store the equipment as well. Equipment should be stored in a clean and environmentally controlled area. It should be readily available when emergency situations arise.

5. Medical Emergency Transportation

In the medical emergency evaluation, the primary survey assists the emergency care provider in identifying emergencies requiring critical intervention and in determining transport decisions. In an emergency situation, the athlete should be transported by ambulance, where the necessary staff and equipment is available to deliver appropriate medical care. Emergency care providers should refrain from transporting unstable athletes in inappropriate vehicles. Care must be taken to ensure that the activity areas are supervised should the emergency care provider leave the site in transporting the athlete. Any emergency situations where there is impairment in level of consciousness (LOC), airway, breathing, or circulation (ABC) or there is neurovascular compromise, should be considered a "load and go" situation and emphasis placed on rapid evaluation, treatment, and transportation. In order to provide the best possible care for Hennessey Public School Athletics, all athletes should be transported to a local hospital of the parent's choice.

ROLES OF EMERGENCY CARE TEAM MEMBERS:

- 1. Immediate care/assessment of injured/ill student-athlete.
- 2. Emergency equipment retrieval (appropriate for the emergency).
- 3. Activate the emergency medical system by calling 911.
 - a. Identify yourself and your role in the emergency.
 - b. Specify the location and telephone number you are calling from.
 - c. Give name of injured individual and approximate age.
 - d. Give the condition of the victim.
 - e. Give an approximate time of the incident/accident.
 - f. Tell the care that is being provided.
 - g. Give specific direction to the site/facility as listed below.

6. Non-Medical Emergencies

In the event of lightening or severe thunderstorm warnings, move all athletes from the outdoor facilities to their respective locker rooms located in the Field House. In the event of Tornadoes, all spectators and athletes will be encouraged to move into the safe room areas in the Elementary or Middle School. In the event of a fire or bomb threat, the teams/players should vacate the field into their respective locker rooms or designated safe areas as to stay out of the way of the professionals. The coaches will be responsible for counting the players and making sure that everyone is accounted for. In the event of a campus lock down due to criminal activity, all athletes are to report to their respective locker rooms or designated safe areas until the all clear signal is given by campus security or another high school official.

7. Venue Maps

The following map shows the layout of the all Hennessey Public Schools as well as where each sports venue is. Under each venue specific emergency action plan, there will be a map with venue specific directions.



HENNESSEY FOOTBALL FIELD (8) – TRACK (9) – FIELD HOUSE (7)



Give specific directions to the football field/track/field house. Directions for EMS are:

- A. Headed North from Kingfisher/Dover on Highway 81, turn East at Oklahoma Street (at stoplight), go about .5 miles to Mitchell Road, turn North, football field will be on the East side of the Road, pull into the gravel parking lot, and drive past the visitor stands on the Southeast corner of the field.
- B. Headed South from Enid/Waukomis on Highway 81, turn East at Oklahoma Street (at stoplight), go about .5 miles to Mitchell Road, turn North, football field will be on the East side of the Road, pull into the gravel parking lot, and drive past the visitor stands on the Southeast corner of the field.
- 1. Open appropriate gates (gates located on Southeast corner of stadium past visitor stands, and Southeast corner of track past the football field).
- 2. Assign an individual to "flag down" EMS and direct them to the scene (an administrator, the athletic director or coach may be appropriate for this role)

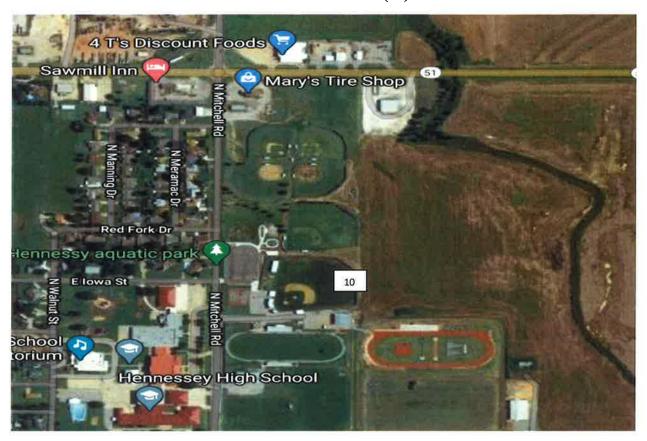
SOFTBALL FIELDS (11)



Give specific directions to the softball fields. Directions for EMSA are:

- A. Headed North from Kingfisher/Dover on Highway 81, turn East at Oklahoma Street (at stoplight), go about .5 miles to Mitchell Road, turn North, softball field will be on the East side of the Road
- B. Headed South from Enid/Waukomis on Highway 81, turn East at Oklahoma Street (at stoplight), go about .5 miles to Mitchell Road, turn North, softball field will be on the East side of the Road
 - 1. Open appropriate gates.
 - 2. Assign an individual to "flag down" EMS and direct them to the scene (an administrator, the athletic director or coach may be appropriate for this role).

BASEBALL FIELD (10)



Give specific directions to the baseball field. Directions for EMSA are:

- A. Headed North from Kingfisher/Dover on Highway 81, turn East at Oklahoma Street (at stoplight), go about .5 miles to Mitchell Road, turn North, baseball field will be on the East side of the Road
- B. Headed South from Enid/Waukomis on Highway 81, turn East at Oklahoma Street (at stoplight), go about .5 miles to Mitchell Road, turn North, baseball field will be on the East side of the Road
 - 1. Open appropriate gates.
 - 2. Assign an individual to "flag down" EMS and direct them to the scene (an administrator, the athletic director or coach may be appropriate for this role).

EAGLE EVENT CENTER (6)

(VOLLEYBALL/BASKETBALL/WRESTLING)



Give specific directions to the Eagle Event Center. Directions for EMSA are:

- A. Headed North from Kingfisher/Dover on Highway 81, turn East at Oklahoma Street (at stoplight), go to the corner of Walnut and Oklahoma, the EEC will be on the North side of Oklahoma Street
- B. Headed South from Enid/Waukomis on Highway 81, turn East at Oklahoma Street (at stoplight), go to the corner of Walnut and Oklahoma, the EEC will be on the North side of Oklahoma Street
- 1. Open appropriate gates.
- 2. Assign an individual to "flag down" EMS and direct them to the scene (an administrator, the athletic director or coach may be appropriate for this role).

OLD HIGH SCHOOL(4) & MIDDLE SCHOOL GYMS(2)

(VOLLEYBALL/BASKETBALL/WRESTLING)



Give specific directions to the gyms. Directions for EMSA are:

- A. Headed North from Kingfisher/Dover on Highway 81, turn East at Oklahoma Street (at stoplight), turn North on Walnut, and the parking lots for the HHS and HMS Gyms are on the East
- B. Headed South from Enid/Waukomis on Highway 81, turn East at Oklahoma Street (at stoplight), turn North on Walnut, and the parking lots for the HHS and HMS Gyms are on the East
 - 1. Open appropriate gates.
 - 2. Assign an individual to "flag down" EMS and direct them to the scene (an administrator, the athletic director or coach may be appropriate for this role).