

## Students

### Orders to Forgo Life-Sustaining Treatment

Written orders from parent(s)/guardian(s) to forgo life-sustaining treatment for their child or ward must be signed by the child's physician and given to the ~~Building Principal or~~ Superintendent. This policy shall be interpreted in accordance with the Illinois Health Care Surrogate Act (755 ILCS 40/4 ~~et seq.~~).

Whenever an order to forgo life-sustaining treatment is received, the Superintendent shall convene a multi-disciplinary team that includes the child's parent(s)/guardian(s) and physician, as well as school personnel designated by the Superintendent. The team shall determine specific interventions to be used by school staff members in the event the child suffers a life-threatening episode at school or a school event. The District personnel shall convey orders to forgo life-sustaining treatment to the appropriate emergency or healthcare provider.

LEGAL REF.: *Health Care Surrogate Act*, 755 ILCS 40/4 ~~et seq.~~  
Cruzan v. Director, Missouri Department *Dept.* of Health, 497 U.S. 261 (1990).  
In re: C.A., a minor, 603 N.E.2d 1171 (Ill.App.1 ~~Dist.~~, 1992).

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