



<b>REGION 11 CHICAGO EMS SYSTEM POLICY</b>	Title: School Incidents
	Section: Patient Care
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## SCHOOL INCIDENTS

- I. In situations of a report of suspicious illnesses (multiple ill or injured children, i.e., fumes, food poisoning) at a school facility, EMS personnel will screen and manage victims as follows:
  - A. **Category I:** Victims in facility with actual exposure and one or more children having complaints of illness and/or injury
    1. Victims will be assessed and treated according to the Region 11 EMS Protocols with each individual having a completed patient care report.
    2. Victims without complaints will be managed as in Category II.
  - B. **Category II:** Victims in facility with potential exposure/actual exposure and no complaints
    1. Document on PCR.
    2. The school representative will assume custody of the children.
  - C. **Category III:** Victims in facility with no direct exposure and/or complaints
    1. Document on PCR.
    2. The school representative will assume custody of the children.
- II. In situations of a motor vehicle crash involving a school bus with children on board, EMS personnel will screen and manage victims as follows:
  - A. **Category I:** A significant mechanism of injury occurred where one or more children have injuries
    1. Injured victims will be assessed and treated according to the Region 11 EMS Protocols with each individual having a completed patient care report.
    2. Victims without injuries will be managed as in Category III.
  - B. **Category II:** No mechanism of injury exists that can be reasonably expected to cause significant injuries. There may be victims with minor injuries.
    1. Injured victims will be assessed and treated according to Region 11 EMS Protocols with each individual having a completed patient care report.
    2. Victims without complaints will be managed as in Category III.



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- C. **Category III:** No mechanism of injury exists that can be reasonably expected to cause injury and the victims have no complaints
1. Document on PCR.
  2. The school representative or bus driver will assume custody of the children.