# BEE STING

Does the student have:

- Difficulty breathing?
- A rapidly expanding area of swelling, especially of the lips, mouth, tongue, or neck?
- A history of allergy to bee stings?

**YES**

- Check student's airway.
- Look, listen and feel for breathing.
- If student stops breathing, start CPR.

Does the student have an emergency care plan available or does the school have stock epinephrine available?

**NO**

**CALL EMS/911**

Continue monitoring, initiate CPR if needed.

**Stock epinephrine**

Refer to the school's non-student- specific stock epinephrine protocol. Administer stock epinephrine as indicated.

**CALL EMS/911**

Contact responsible school authority & parent/guardian.

Continue monitoring, initiate CPR if needed.

**Student emergency care plan**

Refer to the student's plan. Administer healthcare provider and parent supplied medication as indicated.

**CALL EMS/911**

Contact responsible school authority & parent/guardian.

Continue monitoring, initiate CPR if needed.

**NO**

Children may experience a delayed allergic reaction up to 2 hours after the sting. Adults supervising the student during normal activities should be aware of the student's exposure and should watch for delayed reaction.

- Remove the stinger, if present.
  - Do not squeeze the stinger or use tweezers.
- Gently scraping with a credit card like object or (clean) fingernail
- Wash area with soap and water.
- Apply cool compress for up to 20 minutes.
- Contact parent/guardian to determine if student has a history of anaphylaxis or allergic reaction after bee sting.

- Has pain resolved?
- Is swelling minimal?

**YES**

Update parent/guardian to ensure no history of anaphylaxis .

Allow student to return to class if no history of anaphylaxis.

**NO**

If student is uncomfortable and unable to participate in school activities, contact responsible school authority & parent/guardian.

- If unable to reach parent/guardian, allow student to rest with adult supervision.
- Monitor for signs & symptoms of severe allergic reaction (see above.)

Document care provided and medication administered, if necessary.