

# HEAD INJURIES

Many head injuries that happen at school are minor. Head wounds may bleed easily and form large bumps. Bumps to the head may not be serious. Head injuries from falls, sports and violence may be serious. If head is bleeding. Refer to "Bleeding."

If student only bumped head and does not have any other complaints or symptoms, refer to "Bruises."

- \* Have student rest, lying flat.
- \* Keep student quiet and warm.

- With a head injury (other than than bump), always suspect neck injury as well.
- **Do NOT move or twist the back or neck.**
- Refer to "Neck & Pain ."

Is student vomiting?

YES

NO

Turn the head and body together to the side, keeping, the head and neck in a straight line with the trunk.

Watch student closely.  
Do NOT leave student alone.



CALL EMS 9-1-1.

YES

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

Are any of the following symptoms present:

- Unconsciousness?
- Seizure?
- Neck pain?
- Student is unable to respond to simple commands?
- Student is unable to move or feel arms or legs?
- Blood Flow flow freely from head?
- Student is sleepy or confused?

NO

Give nothing by mouth. Contact responsible school authority & parent or legal guardian.

Even if student was only briefly confused and seems fully recovered, contact responsible school authority & parent or legal guardian.