



TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION

Who Do I Call If There's An Emergency?

In an emergency situation, either in the classroom or on the job, it's hard to know who you should call for help. To begin with, immediately notify your teacher or supervisor of the accident. Then, follow these guidelines to help you decide who to contact next.

Call 911, the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) System, immediately if you are dealing with any serious medical problem. Specifically, if the victim:

- is not breathing and/or has no pulse
- is having extreme difficulty breathing
- is having convulsions or seizures
- is unconscious
- is showing signs of shock
- has a serious head injury
- has an injured neck, back, or may have a spinal injury
- has a possible broken bone or serious fracture that prohibits walking
- is passing or vomiting large amounts of blood or experiencing severe bleeding
- is ill or injured and cannot be easily moved
- has a life or limb threatening injury or illness

Call your local Poison Control Center

- If you know or suspect someone has been poisoned, either by mouth, breathing, or skin contact.

Call the victim's physician if the victim appears OK, but:

- shows signs of decreasing alertness
- has severe diarrhea or vomiting
- has a persistent high fever or sudden rise in temperature
- is in great pain or is suffering from a pain that doesn't go away