AEDs SAVE LIVES

In March 2007, East Tennessee State University completed the initial phase of a multiple year program to purchase and place 34 Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) throughout the main and outlying campuses to reduce the response time to cardiac arrest victims. Since the initial program, additional AED's have been purchased to continue to assist in response time. This initial phase of the AED program focused on the facilities with the highest occupancy rates. The AED placements are shown on the attached list. Buildings that do not currently have an onsite AED will be provided emergency services by Public Safety.

An AED is a computerized medical device that can be used to treat a victim of cardiac arrest. The AED evaluates a cardiac arrest victim's heart rhythm, determines if shock is needed and delivers an electric shock through the chest wall to the heart. Audible and/or visual prompts guide the user through the process.

Adhesive electrode pads are placed on the victim's chest and they are joined by cables to the AED. The adhesive pads capture the victim's heart rhythm and transmit the rhythm to the AED. A computer inside the defibrillator analyzes the victim's heart rhythm and advises the operator whether a shock is needed. AEDs advise a shock only for a "shock able" rhythm, most often ventricular fibrillation (VF). Ventricular fibrillation is a life-threatening abnormal heart rhythm in which the heart's electrical impulses become chaotic, causing the heart to quiver and stop pumping blood. The shock is delivered through the adhesive electrode pads that are attached to the victim's chest. If the shock is effective, it will stop the abnormal heart rhythm, allowing the heart's normal rhythm to resume.

When a victim collapses in sudden VF cardiac arrest, each minute that passes without CPR and defibrillation decreases the chances of survival by 7 percent to 10 percent. AEDs placed throughout the community with rescuers trained in CPR and use of an AED can help sudden cardiac arrest victims receive immediate bystander CPR and defibrillation within minutes. CPR and defibrillation can significantly increase survival from sudden cardiac arrest.

CPR is important because survival can double if it is provided from the moment of collapse until the AED is ready to deliver a shock. CPR may also be needed after the AED successfully stops the abnormal heart rhythm until the victim's heart rhythm can provide adequate circulation.

An AED operator must know how to recognize the signs of sudden cardiac arrest, when to activate the EMS system and how to perform CPR. ETSU have provided classes to over 200 employees. Classes are normally presented during each semester. If you are interested in attending a future AED class or have questions regarding our AED program, please contact Health and Safety @ 9-6028.

East Tennessee State University AED Placements

Main Campus Locations

Building/Site Location

Ball Hall 1st floor, W. stairwell, near auditorium

Brooks Gym

2nd floor, near room 222

Brown Hall

1st floor, N. side, Biology area

Burgin E. Dossett

2nd floor, near information desk

Burleson

1st floor, inside vending area

Campus Center Building 1st floor lobby beside fire alarm panel

Center for Physical Activity

Child Study Center, Signal Drive

Culp Center

Facilities

Equipment Desk

Reception area

Main office-2nd floor

Electrical Shop

Break area

Gilbreath 2nd floor, across from stairwell
Gray Fossil Site Lobby area, ground floor
Hutcheson Hall 2nd floor, in lobby area

Innovation Laboratory Reception area
Kingsport Center Main Office

Lamb Hall

1st floor, Dental Hygiene near elevator

Lamb Hall

3rd floor, south side beside elevator

Mathes 1st floor, N. end

MSHA Athletic Center (Mini-Dome)

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Kinesiology Lab., room E-113

2nd floor, West Side break room

Nave Center Lobby area

Nicks Hall 1st floor near Student Health Clinic

Power House Office area
Public Safety 1 AED per vehicle

Reece Museum Rear of gallery, near stairs

Rogers Stout 1st floor, center, near water fountain

Sam Wilson 2nd floor, near copy room

Seehorn House 2nd floor hallway

Sherrod Library 2nd floor corridor outside main stairwell

University School

Warf Pickel

Wilson Wallis

Yoakley Hall

1st floor, beside Nurse's office

3d floor, near Dean's office

2nd floor, near room 215

1st floor, east side

Ross Hall

3rd floor, in Break area **Housing & Residence Life Locations**

Building/Site Location

Governor's Hall

Centennial Hall

Carter Hall

Lucille Clement

Main lobby near Reception Desk

RA office area above the HVAC unit

3rd Floor entrance; main lobby restroom

Stone Hall Main lobby by Social room
Powell Hall Front lobby near Reception Desk

West Hall Main lobby
Dossett Hall Main lobby

Luntsford Hall 2nd Floor main entrance Social room

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VA Campus Locations

Building Site	Location
VA Building 2	2 nd floor, across from elevator
VA Building 6	Ground Floor, center of building
VA Building 7	Ground floor foyer
VA Building 52	1 st floor, near fire alarm panel
VA Building 119 (Also serves Bldg's 1 & 4)	E. side, 1 st floor across from elevator
VA Building 178	1 st floor, near C wing

Buildings Covered by Public Safety

Lyle House, ADA Earnest, Office of Rural & Community Health, Maple Street Houses, Center at Millennium Park, Observatory, Warren Golf Facility, WETS Station and Buc Ridge