Shock

Note

If you see the telephone symbol () next to any sign below occurring in the student, call for help (EMS/9-1-1, school nurse, first aid-trained staff).

Look for

- Unresponsive
- Cannot get the student to respond; student not able to follow directions or think clearly
- Difficult/absent breathing
- Rapid, weak, or very slow pulse (if trained to assess pulse)
- Mottled, blue skin
- Profuse bleeding
- Restlessness, irritability
- Pale, cool, moist skin
- Nausea
- Very thirsty

Listen for statements about

- Feeling dizzy
- Nausea
- Recent injury
- Chronic medical condition

Action

- 1. Lie person down, elevate students' legs 6 to 12 inches unless you suspect a serious injury to the spine, hips, legs, head, or if the movement causes pain. If having breathing difficulty, let student rest in most comfortable position.
- 2. Maintain body temperature protecting the area underneath the student and covering with blanket/sheet, as appropriate, to avoid chilling.
- 3. Avoid giving anything to eat or drink.