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High school student saved thanks to school defibrillator

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A 16-year-old student with no previous history of heart problems collapsed in class on December 16th and was resuscitated, thanks to quick action by high school staff and students and the availability of an on-site defibrillator. Andrea LeFleur, from Orange-Ulster BOCES High School in New York, told another student she felt weak and within minutes her heart had stopped beating. The school nurse, several teachers and a student, who is a volunteer firefighter, all helped in the rescue. The school's automated external defibrillator (AED) had been installed a few weeks before, in response to a new state law requirement.

The case was kept quiet until recently when LeFleur, who had received an implantable cardioverter defibrillator (ICD), was determined to be in good health.

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