

LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Medical Services Division
District Nursing Services Branch

**MANUAL RESUSCITATION BAG AND VENTILATOR
“BAGGING”**

FOR THE SCHOOL NURSE

When a student shows or requests a need for more air while on the ventilator:

1. Disconnect the ventilator at the tracheostomy tube.
2. Suction the trachea, if indicated, to clear the airway.
3. Attach resuscitation (ambu) bag with adaptor securely to tracheostomy tube.
4. Squeeze the bag until the chest rises and falls with each squeeze. Squeeze at approximately the same rate, or breaths per minute, as the ventilator setting.

Continue “bagging” until effective mechanical ventilation is restored.