

Only 37% of schools have access to a full time athletic trainer.



**WHO IS
TAKING CARE OF
YOUR KIDS?**

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7,795,658
STUDENT ATHLETES

participated in sports during the 2013-2014 academic year.

In 2013, there were an estimated
1.24 MILLION
EMERGENCY ROOM VISITS

for injuries related to 14 commonly played sports in children ages 19 and under.

According to Safe Kids Worldwide,

62%

of organized sports-related injuries
OCCUR DURING PRACTICES.

According to the CDC,
MORE THAN
HALF

of all sports injuries in children are preventable.

ATHLETIC TRAINERS ARE HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS WHO COLLABORATE WITH PHYSICIANS IN THE PREVENTION, DIAGNOSIS AND REHABILITATION OF INJURIES. Athletic trainers work in a variety of settings and provide medical services and an unparalleled continuum of care to all types of patients, not just athletes participating in sports. Athletic trainers are the most qualified professional to provide daily care for student athletes. They are also the most capable person to organize and direct an athletic health care system for a secondary school. Relying on coaches, administrators, or volunteers to provide these types of services puts the athlete, school and its employees at risk.

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