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School Staff Member Collapses

Modesto – At 09:42 on August 8th, the Modesto Regional Fire Authority responded to Dena Boer Elementary School for a staff member with difficulty breathing. The school is located at 4801 Gold Valley Road in Salida.

When Engine 12 arrived, they found a female staff member unresponsive in the office. School staff was performing CPR. The fire crew immediately connected the automatic external defibrillator and continued CPR. The patient was administered one shock by the defibrillator which was successful in immediately regaining a heart rhythm. Ambulance personnel arrived along with a Modesto Regional Fire field medic and continued advanced medical treatment. The patient was transported to a local hospital and arrived there with a sustained heart beat and blood pressure.

The early assessment and CPR performed by the school staff and quick response by the first responders was instrumental in the outcome.

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