

7430 SCHOOL SAFETY (M)

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The Board of Education recognizes that it is required by law to take measures for the safety of pupils and district employees.

The Board shall provide, publish, and post rules for safety and the prevention of accidents; instruct pupils in safety and accident prevention; provide protective devices where they are required by law for the safety of pupils and employees; and provide suitable and safe equipment where such equipment is necessary for the conduct of the educational program and the operation of the schools.

The Superintendent shall prepare regulations governing school safety and the prevention of accidents and fire that include as a minimum the requirements of law and the applicable rules of various departments of state government. Such regulations shall provide procedures and precautions for the safety of pupils in school, employees in the performance of their duties, users of school vehicles, pupils in transit to and from school, injured pupils and employees, and visitors to the school. Safety regulations shall be promulgated to all school employees and shall be reviewed and evaluated annually. The Superintendent is directed to instruct teaching staff members in proper safety precautions.

Each teacher is responsible for his/her class, not only in the room but anywhere in the building, on the playground, and during assembly programs. If, for any reason, a teacher has to leave the room, he/she should ask for someone to cover class.

Supervision

It is the responsibility of the Superintendent and teachers to arrange for adequate supervision of playgrounds while school is in session. Special attention should be given to the prevention of accidents and to the development of habits of good citizenship. Pupils who remain in the school building or on school grounds after dismissal following the last class must be supervised by a faculty member. In assigning chores, the safety of pupils must be the first consideration.

Dismissal

The Superintendent, in cooperation with the police or other agencies, shall provide for safety of pupils on or around school property. Pupils may be released from school when a note signed by a parent(s) and/or legal guardian(s) is presented to and approved by the administrative office. Under no circumstances is any pupil to be released to a stranger



unless proof of identity satisfactory to the administrative office is presented. In the event that the parental rights of either or both parents should be terminated, the legal guardian is responsible for informing the school so that appropriate action may be taken.

N.J.S.A. 18A:6-2; 18A:40-12.1; 18A:40-12.2
N.J.S.A. 40:67-16.7
N.J.A.C. 6A:16-1.4; 6A:23-2.10

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