Policy Type: Executive Limitations

School Safety

The Superintendent shall not cause or allow any condition in the district that is or has a reasonable potential of being unsafe.

Accordingly, the Superintendent may not fail to develop a safe schools plan, following consultation with school and school district accountability committees, parents, teachers, administrators, students and when appropriate, members of the community, that provides for a safe learning environment conducive to the learning process and free from unnecessary disruption that includes:

- Procedures that address the supervision and security of school buildings and grounds and allow for parents and school board members reasonable access to observe classes, activities and functions at school upon reasonable notice to the school administrator's office
- Procedures that address the safety and supervision of students during school hours, during transportation by the school district to and from school and during school sponsored activities
- 3. Training programs for staff and students in crisis prevention and management and emergency response
- 4. Procedures for safe, confidential reporting of security and safety concerns at each school building
- 5. Procedures for making inquires, upon good and legal cause, to the Colorado Department of Education for the purposes of screening employees
- 6. Procedures for regular assessments of the security and safety needs of each school building and to provide recommendations for improvements if necessary
- 7. Procedures for regular assessments to determine whether students feel safe and to provide recommendations for improvements in school climate at each district building

- 8. Procedures to provide for cooperation, and to the extent possible written agreements, between district officials, law enforcement officers, the juvenile justice system, social services, fire department officials, city and county officials and local medical personnel to keep the school environment safe and to discuss crisis prevention and management strategies, including involvement by these parties in the development and revision of crisis prevention and management plans
- 9. Procedures for taking action and communicating with local law enforcement agencies, community emergency services, parents, students and the media in the event of a crisis
- 10. Training programs for staff and students in safety precautions and procedures related to fire prevention, natural disaster response, accident prevention, public health, traffic, bicycle and pedestrian safety, and special hazards associated with athletics and other extracurricular activities
- 11. Procedures for the reporting of criminal activity to law enforcement
- 12. Procedures consistent with state and federal law for releasing and obtaining information regarding students in the interest of making schools safe
- 13. Procedures for compiling and reporting safety information required by the state and submitting a copy of such information to the Board annually
- 14. Procedures for addressing the district's duties regarding eye protective devices for students, teachers and visitors
- 15. Procedures for annual fire code inspections by qualified persons, unless the fire department or fire district provides such an inspection

In addition, the superintendent shall not fail to develop and adopt, consistent with the *Executive Limitation* policy on Development of Administration Policy, all policies required as part of the safe schools plan. Finally, in adopting a crisis management policy, the Superintendent shall ensure that the statutory requirements concerning automated external defibrillators are referenced in such policy.

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LEGAL REFS.: C.R.S. 9-1-101 through 9-1-106 (construction requirements, fire escapes)

C.R.S. 22-1-125 (automate external defibrillator requirements must be referenced in

crisis management policy)

C.R.S. 22-3-101 through 22-3-104 (eye protective devices)

C.R.S. 22-32-109.1 (safe schools plan)

C.R.S. 22-32-109.1 (8) (inquiries to Colorado Department of Education regarding

employees)

C.R.S. 22-32-110 (1)(k)

C.R.S. 22-32-124 (2),(3) (building inspections)

C.R.S. 24-10-106.5 (duty of care)

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