

## STUDENT SAFETY

The Board of Education recognizes the district's responsibility for ensuring the safety of all students in school buildings or on school grounds, and/or participating in school activities.

The safety of students will be assured through close supervision of students on school premises and on school buses. Special attention will be given to the following:

1. maintaining a safe school environment through periodic inspection of the physical condition of all buildings and grounds;
2. observation of safe practices on the part of school personnel and students, particularly in those areas of instruction or extracurricular activities which offer special hazards. Section 409-a of the Education Law and the relevant sections of the Commissioner's Regulations regarding the wearing of eye safety devices in shops and laboratories, etc. will be strictly observed;
3. offering safety education to students, as appropriate, in subjects such as laboratory courses in science, shop courses, and health and physical education and;
4. providing, through the services of the school nurse, first aid care for students in case of accident or sudden illness.

In addition, to the above safety measures, school personnel shall be constantly on the lookout for suspicious strangers loitering in or near school buildings or seated in parked cars nearby. The Superintendent shall notify law enforcement agencies if the circumstances seem to warrant it. Students shall be instructed to notify teachers, their parents/guardian(s), police or school officials of any suspicious strangers. Teachers are urged to instruct students not to accept gifts or automobile rides from strangers, and the students should be instructed to tell the teachers, their parents, police or school patrols of any suspicious strangers.

Ref: Education Law ' • 806; 807; 808; 3212-a

8 NYCRR • •107.1; 141.10

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